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NO COMMUNAL POLITICS IN SECULAR STATE

Central Directives To Provinces

IGNORE REPRESENTATIONS AND STOP GRANTS-IN-AID

Limit Drawn To Activities Of Sectional Organisations

NEW DELHI, August 17, (A.P.I.): **The Government of India, it is learnt, have advised the Provincial Governments to take administrative action to prevent communal organisations from engaging in activities other than those essential for the 'bona fide' religious, cultural, social and educational needs of the community.**

SUGGESTED ACTION

The following administrative measures are suggested:—

FIRSTLY: No notice should be taken by Governments and their officers, local bodies, State aided institutions and other official organisations of petitions or representations from communal organisations on political matters.

SECONDLY: Interviews should be denied to leaders of communal organisations who wish to make representations on political matters.

THIRDLY: Deputations of such communal organisations should not be received by any Minister or officer of Government.

AND LASTLY: No Government grant-in-aid or patronage in any form should be given to communal organisations which indulge in political activity.

The implimentation of the Constituent Assembly resolution regarding regulation of communal organisations in the Legislative field will have to wait until the passing of the Constitution to enable Government to find out to what extent the political activities of communal organisations will be justifiable on account of their close connection with fundamental rights and other provisions of the Constitution.

Government, however, are of the view that so far as legislative action is concerned, it appears to be difficult for several reasons to draw at this stage a clear line between religious, cultural, social and educational activities (which may be termed as non-political activities) on the one hand, and other activities (which may be termed as political) on the other. The main reason is that the Fundamental Rights to be conferred by the New Constitution may render certain types of political activities justifiable even when they are pursued by a communial organisation. For instance, if some of the Fundamental Rights are, in practice, denied to members of a particular community in particular area, then those members may justifiably organise themselves for the purpose of asserting those rights and getting other communities to recognise them. Such activity may well be regarded as political in the sense of not being essential for the 'bona fide' religious, cultural, social and educational needs of the community.

GWALIOR JAGIRDARS WARNED

GWALIOR, August 16. (A.P.I.): A stern warning to Jagirdars, a few of whom were alleged to be encouraging communal organisations in Gwalior, was given by Pandit Liladhar Joshi, Prime Minister of Madhyabharat, addressing a crowded meeting here on the eve of Independence Day.

Mr. Joshi added that Government would also not hesitate to take the severest action against black marketeers and profiteers who were responsible for the misery of the people.

Continuing Mr. Joshi requested the people not to expect miracles of the new Government. Reconstruction took time and when there had been poverty and destitution in the country during the last many centuries, prosperity and plenitude should not be expected in a few months only, he added.

Mr. Joshi asked Praja Mandal workers not to indulge in fruitless and continuous criticism of Government employees, but give them time to improve and adjust themselves to the new circumstances.

PILGRIMAGE TO RAJGHAT

On the first Anniversary of Independence, Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru carries flowers for offering at the grave of Mahatma Gandhi. The remembrance ceremony was performed at Rajghat early on the morning of August 15.

DELHI PULLS UP PROVINCES

No Ousting Of High Court's Jurisdiction On Plea Of Emergency

NEW DELHI, August 17. (A.P.I.): The Government of India, it is learnt, have advised the Provincial Governments that on grounds of public policy, they consider it would be undesirable to oust the jurisdiction of High Court under section 491 of the Criminal Procedure Code (power to issue a writ of habeas corpus).

Section 491 of the Criminal Procedure Code confers power on the High Courts to set at liberty a person who is detained either illegally or improperly.

In the draft constitution of India, it is laid down in article 202 that every High Court shall have the power to issue directions or orders in the nature 'inter alia' of the writ of habeus corpus. The Government of India, however, consider that it will be contrary to the letter and spirit of the draft constitution to enact legislation ousting the jurisdiction of the High Courts under section 491 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (Reuter): Cases among Japanese of sleeping sickness showed a downward trend at the beginning of this week with only 84 victims reported on Sunday compared with a daily average of over 100 during the past few days, according to Japanese press reports.

In Tokyo the number of victims reached 1,200 by Sunday, of which 203 were fatal.

Keep-Off-Street Warning

Red Pamphlets In Rangoon Make No Impression

RANGOON, Aug. 17, (Reuter): Communist agents circulated pamphlets here today warning people to keep off the streets tomorrow, which was described as the insurgents' "D-Day".

The Government made no comment on the pamphlets which have not been taken seriously by the general public.

The Burmese Government announced last night that their forces had repulsed heavy attacks by several hundred insurgents at two points, 55 and 30 miles north of Rangoon.

Dates For Repayment Of Marshall Plan Loans

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (Reuter): Britain will be given 30 years from the agreed payment date to repay the Dollar Loans she is receiving under the Marshall Plan, it was learned to-day.

France will be given the same terms, according to agreements negotiated here over the past few weeks, which are to be announced shortly.

Payment of interest—at a rate of two and one half per cent—will begin in 1952 but payment of interest and principle will not begin until 1956.

Dutch Ban Indonesian Independence Day Meetings

HAGUE CABINET PLAN FOR 'UNITED STATES'

NO RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN RELATIONS ESTABLISHED BY REPUBLIC

THE HAGUE, August 17, (Reuter): The new Dutch Government plans to set up a "Netherlands — Indonesian Union" between Holland and a simultaneously-established United States of Indonesia, under the real authority and sovereignty of the Dutch Crown, it was officially announced here today.

The Dutch Government intends Indonesia to be a constituent state within the United States of Indonesia, and the foreign relations already established by the Indonesian Republic could not be recognised, the statement said.

Mr. L. Neher, Dutch Special Representative in Indonesia, flew back to Batavia today after consultations with the new Dutch Cabinet.

Some observers here said this indicated a possible break in the deadlock between the Dutch and the republicans.

Dutch authorities today banned all meetings in Batavia for the third anniversary of the proclamation of Independence of the Indonesian Republic, Reuter reports said.

It was pointed out, however that it was the Government's intention that the Crown should be maintained at the head of the Union and that there should be real Royal authority and sovereignty.

Just before his departure for Batavia, Mr. Neher said he could make no statement about reports that ex-Premier Dr. Louis Beel would be going to Indonesia in an important capacity.

In reply to a question about the future of Dr. Hubertus Van Mook as Governor General, Mr. Neher said he could make no comment, except that he would not be replaced by the Triumvirate suggested in the Bandung Conference Plan. Such a method of conducting the administration was considered unworkable.

The Indonesian problem as being debated in the second chamber this afternoon, but the crucial test of the new Government's policy was expected in a fortnight when the draft bill for the establishment of an interim Indonesian Federal Government would be debated.

Informed circles here regarded it as most probable that ex-Premier Dr. Louis Beel, one of the main architects of the Interim Federal Government plan, would go to Indonesia in the place of Johnkeer Dr. H. L. F. Van Vendenburg as Dutch Vice-chairman of the delegation that have for the time being suspended discussions.

BERNADOTTE'S S.O.S. TO MARSHALL

Call For Supplies To Avert Human Disaster In Middle East

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17, (Reuter): Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations Palestine Mediator, urgently cabled Mr George Marshall United States Secretary of State, today, warning him that the fate of 330,000 Arab and 7,000 and 7,000 Jewish refugees was threatening "A sudden human disaster comparable to an earthquake or a tidal wave" in the Middle East.

Appealing to the United States for emergency supplies, Count Bernadotte declared that his successful mediation depended upon the solution of this problem.

"The essential factor is time as the refugees are being swept by epidemic diseases", he insisted. "Winter is approaching and many must die". He urged that Mr. Marshall reply within ten days.

A State Department official said the matter was being given "urgent consideration".

Three Premiers Discuss Baroda

BOMBAY, Tuesday: Dr. Jivraj Mehta, Chief Minister, Baroda, Mr. Dhebar, Prime Minister of Saurashtra, and Mr. Balwantrai Mehta, Home Minister of Saurashtra met Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister of Bombay at a high-level conference this afternoon.

Although the greatest amount of reticence was maintained about issues discussed at the conference, it is understood that the talks were in connection with the future possibilities and developments in the Baroda State. It may be recalled that at the end of July all the three premiers called upon Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Minister for the States at New Delhi and discussed with them the position arising out of the intransigence of the Gaekwar of Baroda.

It is also understood that since Baroda, Bombay Province and Saurashtra have common frontiers in some places the question was discussed of having co-ordinated policies on issues of common interest like customs barriers, the enforcement of prohibition and the handling of law breakers who might commit an offence in one or the other of the three jurisdictions, and try to evade capture by crossing the frontier.

Celebration In Delhi

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17. (API): To celebrate the third anniversary of the Republic of Indonesia, Dr. Soedarsono, representative of the Republic of Indonesia in India, gave a reception tonight at Delhi Gymkhana. A large number of guests were present, including Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

BIG POWERS BOYCOTT

Indonesian Day Reception At Canberra

CANBERRA, Aug. 17 (Reuter): Representatives of Britain, France, Holland and the United States boycotted a reception arranged here tonight by Dr. Roesman, Indonesian representative, to celebrate the third anniversary of the founding of the Indonesian Republic.

The Soviet Ambassador, M. Nikolas Lifanov, and senior members of the Russian Legation attended along with the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Kan Naikuang and representatives of the Indian, New Zealand and Australian governments.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (UPA): The White House said today that President Truman will leave Friday for a nine-day vacation trip on his yacht, the "WILLIAMBURG". The President will take along members of his staff.

Nehru Peace Plan Hits World Headlines

GLOBAL FEDERATION PROPOSAL FINDS ACCORD

Only Constructive Way To Save Civilization

NEW YORK, August 17, (U.P.A.): Indian Premier Jawaharlal Nehru's interview with the United Press of America received prominent display in the United States and caused widespread interest in the State Department and Congressional circles.

State department officials showed great interest in Nehru's statements and the Department's Press Section drew the attention of Secretary of State George Marshall to it. It also was widely read by other officials in the newspapers.

Reaction in the Department's Indian section to Nehru's suggestion that the world needs a global federation was non-commital, although they were in agreement with the high ideal. But some officials expressed pleasant surprise that Nehru's comment regarding Japan was somewhat favourable to United States policy for that country.

They said that as far as officials here know this was the most direct statement he had made. They noted Nehru said complete suppression of Japan would be "impractical" and a set back both to Japan and all Asia.

The Indian leader's hope to make India the industrial leader in Asia was regarded most favourably.

Republican representative Lawrence Smith, member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said: "I am very much interested in Pt. Nehru's remarks, but I believe the approach to world peace should be the other way. We want one world, but we are getting two worlds. We must have agreement and unity first and then move toward organization and federation. Peace will start with individuals on a grass roots level. We cannot build from top to down".

Democratic Senator J. W. Fulbright commented: "I have repeatedly declared my belief that a world federation is the only constructive move for long-term peace that is possible and feasible. The world will not survive without such a federation, hence it is the most important issue in our long-range future."

Democratic Representative Pete Jarman of Alaoama, said: "Prime Minister Nehru uses the term 'suicide'—I believe civilization could not survive another war and that the leadership of the world must, can, and, I think, will do all that is necessary to avoid it. However, I consider the United Nations our best hope at the moment, and its success might lead to some form of a world government referred to by the Indian Prime Minister."

Congressman Emanuel Celler emphatically said, "I am in utter accord with Prime Minister Nehru's statement about a world federation. I am convinced the world will come apart unless some super-authority is established to which all nations yield their sovereignty."

Far Eastern cities reported the Nehru interview received prominent display everywhere.

Japanese Government officials said they were "extremely gratified" by Nehru's endorsement of the American "rebuild Japan" policy.

COTTON PRICE CONTROL TALKS

NEW DELHI, August 17

Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, Minister for Industry and Supply, had discussions today with representatives of the cotton growing provinces, the Textile Industry and representatives of the East India Cotton Association and the Indian Central Cotton Committee on the question of control of cotton prices.

The Government of India, it is understood, will announce their decision on this subject within the next three days. The main point for decision will be whether it is necessary to control the prices of cotton.

INDO-EGYPTIAN TRADE

BOMBAY, Aug. 17 (API): Mr Abdel-Rahman Hamdi, Commercial Attache of the Royal Consulate-General of Egypt stated here today that the trade negotiations between India and Egypt which took place in Cairo in June last are still continuing.

The Indian Mission was of opinion that the list of commodities to be bartered with the Egyptian "karnak" cotton should be finalised in India.

Mr. Hamdi hoped that an agreement between the two countries would soon be negotiated.

ECONOMISTS TO CONFER IN DELHI

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17. (UPI): A conference of eminent economists, industrialists and labour leaders will take place in New Delhi tomorrow, with Mr. K. C. Neogy, Commerce and Finance Minister, to consider various aspects of economic situation in the country with particular reference to inflationary spiral and measure to stabilise the country's economy. The conference follows the statement of Pandit Nehru in the Parliament on August 11.

PRINCIPAL GADGIL FOR DELHI

POONA, Aug. 17. (UPI): Principal D. R. Gadgil who has been invited by the Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to proceed to Delhi for consultation on the present economic condition in the country left for Delhi today.

WHO WILL SUCCEED CHETTY?

Dr. Mathai And Deshmukh Tipped For Post

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, August 17

Premier Nehru and Mr. Shanmukham Chetty created excellent impression in lobbies by their statements in Parliament this morning. One lesson drawn is that Ministers like Caesar's wife shall have to be above suspicion. As Mr. Shanmukham Chetty said the present builders of New India must set up the highest standards, not only for efficiency but also for honesty. The issues raised are of fundamental importance namely even technical errors likely to cast suspicion on Minister must lead to his resignation. Mr. Chetty episode must provide for a big heart searchings all round and more particularly in Provinces, it is asserted here. Lobbies are happy that the Premier has asserted himself and has set an example, which should purify rapidly the downgrading administration.

As for Mr. Shanmukham Chetty's successor Dr. John Mathai still continues lobbies favourite. As reported yesterday Reserve Bank Governor, Sir C. D. Deshmukh also is being tipped for the post. One thing appears to be certain namely that the Premier will take his own time to choose Chetty's successor. His field of selection is rather limited. He is not likely to select businessmen. In view of the present economic crisis and inflation Nehru is bound to select that first rate man amongst financiers. Both Dr. Mathai and Sir C. D. Deshmukh are seasoned financiers.

Meanwhile appointments of Mr S. K. Patil and Mr. Sanatanam as Ministers without cabinet bank is expected to be made any day.

(For details of Pandit Nehru's and Mr. Shanmukham Chetty See Page 10.)

New Trade Status To Germany And Japan

GENEVA, Aug. 17 (Reuter): Delegates of 22 nations who last year signed the Geneva Trade Agreement lowering mutual trade barriers agreed today to consider admitting Germany and Japan to the agreement.

Reward For Plain Speaking On Hyderabad's Policy

RETIRED MUSLIM OFFICERS WHO ISSUED STATEMENT TO LOSE PENSION

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Aug. 17. (A.P.I.): A Press communique issued by the Government of Hyderabad today indicated that the Government may stop the pensions of the retired Muslim officers who in a joint statement over the weekend demanded immediate disbandment of the Razakars organisation and replacement of the present State Government by an interim Government enjoying the confidence of all communities in the State.

"They have been asked to explain" the Press communique stated "why their pensions should not be stopped as a measure of punishment for the kind of statement issued by them".

The signatories to the joint statement had included Mr. Ahmed Mirza, retired Chief Engineer, Mr. Afzar Mumim, retired Accountant General, Mr. S. M. Hussain Jaffer, retired Director of Public Instruction, and Mr. Farid Mirza, Tahsildar of Khandar in Nanded district who was recently reported to have resigned his post.

Their joint statement, according to the Government Press communique, was "misleading" and contained "unfair criticism of the administration and policy of Government." The communique added "this act constitutes a direct contravention of the rules governing the conduct of officers."

CALL TO AFRIDIS TO JOIN KASHMIR WAR

PESHAWAR August 17. (U.P.I.): A resolution appealing to Afridi tribesmen to march shoulder to shoulder with their other tribesmen to Kashmir front for a "fight to the finish" was adopted at a representative "Jirgah" of Afridi tribes at Shober, in Tirah, according to information received here.

The "Jirgah" adopted another resolution issuing "timely warning to the Indian Union to change its present outlook towards the premier Muslim State of Hyderabad" and asking tribal people to be ready to march at once in case of India's aggression.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned upto 12 noon on Monday the 30th August, 1948, for

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(1) Painting numbers on labour and hand-carts.
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(3) The quotations for painting numbers per labour cart and hand cart should be given separately. The quotations for each item should be separate.

The person or persons whose tender is accepted must deposit with the Commissioner of Police, Bombay a sum of Rs. 100/- in cash or in Govt. Promissory notes of the nominal value of Rs. 100/- for each contract i.e. for (I) and (II).

The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

The sealed envelope containing a tender should be marked "Tender P.L.C.L.".

G. B. MAHANKAL.
Deputy for Commissioner of Police, Bombay.

Head Police Office,
Bombay, 13th August, 1948..
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SHREE SAJJAN MILLS LIMITED
RATLAM.
NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company, will be held on SATURDAY, the 18th September, 1948, at 3-00 P.M. (S.T.) at the Registered Office of the Company No. 28 Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ending 31st March, 1948.
(2) To sanction the declaration of a dividend
(3) To appoint Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, under article III, but are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.
(4) To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.
(5) To transact such other business as the Chairman may bring before the meeting.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th September, 1948 to 24th September, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
For Gopaldas Liladhar & Co., Ltd.,
MOOLJI DAYAL,
Director,
Managing Agents.

Ratlam,
Dated 12th August, 1948.

N.B.—The Dividend, when sanctioned, will be made payable at the Mill premises, Ratlam, on and after the 25th September, 1948, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. (S.T.) on working days to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Register on the 10th September, 1948. 1086

SHREE SAJJAN MILLS LIMITED
RATLAM
NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shree Sajjan Mills, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at No. 28, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 18th day of September, 1948 at 3-30 O'Clock in the afternoon or so soon afterwards as the Eighteenth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company shall be concluded when the following resolution will be proposed:—

That is to say,

"That it is desirable to capitalise a sum of Rs. 2,93,800/- being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and accordingly that a Special Capital Bonus of Rs. 2,93,800/- be declared and that such Bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 10th day of September, 1948 were holders of the 14,940 existing Ordinary shares of the Company (Mr. Moolji Dayal the holder of three existing Ordinary shares being Nos. 12579 to 12581, having relinquished his right to claim an allotment of his proportionate share in respect of the said three existing Ordinary Shares held by him) in payment in full for 2,988 Ordinary shares of the Company of Rs. 100/- each and that such 2,988 shares credited as fully paid up be accordingly allotted to such persons respectively in the proportion of one such share for every five of the said 14,940 existing Ordinary shares then held by such persons respectively and that the Ordinary shares so distributed shall be treated for all purposes as an increase of the nominal amount of the capital of the Company held by each such shareholder and not as income."

Ratlam,
Dated this 12th day of August, 1948
By Order of the Board,
For Gopaldas Liladhar & Co. Ltd.
MOOLJI DAYAL,
Director,
Agents.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY—THE B.E.S. & T. COMMITTEE.

On and from MONDAY, the 23rd August, 1948, the following changes will be made in the running of our bus services

Route "A" LIMITED STOP From Electric House to Mahim or Sion via Electric House to Dadar T. T. as at present then alternate buses will run to Mahim as at present and to Sion via Vincent Road, King's Circle and Sion Road.

Route "O" From Ballard Estate to Mahim via Ballard Road, Mint Road, Elphinstone Circle, Churchgate Street, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Metro 1st Marine Street, Queens Road, Opera House, Hughes Road, Kemp's Corner, Pedder Road, Hornby Vellard, Dr. Annie Beasant Road, Parbadevi Road, Dadar Port Church Street, Gokhale Road (North) Shivaji Park, Lady Jamshetjee Road to Mahim.

TRAFFIC MANAGER.
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NOTICE TO ALL OWNERS OF PETROL DRIVEN TRANSPORT VEHICLES OF THE BOMBAY REGION.

ISSUE OF BASIC PETROL coupons in respect of Transport Vehicles for the month of SEPTEMBER 1948, will be done at the NORTH STAND, MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE BRABOURNE STADIUM, OPP. CHURCHGATE POST OFFICE, BOMBAY, on the dates mentioned below, from 10-30 a.m. to 2-30 p.m. on week days and from 10-30 a.m. to 1-30 p.m. on Saturdays.

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THE DY. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T., will receive tenders on prescribed form upto 3 p.m. on 20-8-48 for the disposal of Empty Barrels lying at Shed No. 3 Wadi Bandar. The tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office. 1091

G. I. P. RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, Bhore & Thull Ghats, G. I. P. Railway, Lonavla, invites tender upto 15.30 hrs. on 13th September, 1948, for supplying and loading into wagons Mumbra sand.

The form of tender schedule and conditions of contract can be had from his office on payment of Rs. 2/- each. This sum will not be refunded.

Lonavla, 2-8-1948. (921)

G. I. P. RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, Bhore & Thull Ghats, G. I. P. Railway, Lonavla, invites tender upto 15.30 hrs. on 13th September, 1948, for supplying and loading into wagons Teak or Sal wood bullies.

The form of tender schedule and conditions of contract can be had from his office on payment of Rs. 2/- each. This sum will not be refunded.

Lonavla, 2-8-1948. (920)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
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Office of the Chief Director of Purchase.
TENDER NO A/761.

THE CHIEF DIRECTOR of Purchase, Ministry of Food (Division II), New Delhi, invites tenders for the supply of approximately 1000 tons wheat Bran required for the Military Dairy Farms in India during October, 1948.

Applications for tender forms will be received upto the 31st August, 1948. The price of each tender form containing full particulars is Rs. 10/- per set which is not refundable under any circumstances. Payment must be made in cash or by money order only (cheques will not be accepted) to the Chief Director of Purchase, Ministry of Food (Div. II) New Delhi quoting Tender No. A/761 and giving the remitters full address on the coupon. Tender forms are not transferable.

Tenders will be received upto 4 P.M. on Friday, the 10th September 1948.

New Delhi,
Dated the 11th August, 1948.
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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the three posts of Assistant Lecturers in Biology (for Botany work) at the Government Colleges—two at the Gujarat College, Anmedabad, and one at the Karnatak College, Dharwar. Pay:—160-10-200-E.B.-10-250 plus dearness Allowance, Cost of Living Allowance and House Rent Allowance etc., as admissible under the rules. Qualifications:— At least a 2nd class B.A. or B.Sc. with M.Sc. of a statutory Indian or Foreign University.

Candidates should ordinarily be less than 25 years of age but this condition may be relaxed in special cases.

Application forms, etc. obtainable from the Principal Royal Institute of Science, Bombay. Last date is 31-8-1948.

PRINCIPAL,
Royal Institute of Science,
Bombay.
(1061)

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
CLASS I TENDER NOTICE.
Items costing over Rs. 9,000/-

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in the Controller of Stores Office, East Indian Railway, 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta before 12 o'clock on 14-9-48.

Tender No. SP/D/164/Est/Hd/48-3A/49 for the supply of Holders lamp, Bracket B.C. 5/8" bakelite with S. C. ring 6800 nos.

Tender forms with full particulars can be had from the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, on payment of Rs. 2/- per copy to the Treasurer East Indian Railway, Calcutta, and on production of his receipt when applying for the same.

Firms outside Calcutta may however remit the amount to the Controller of Stores, direct by money order. No refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented to the Controller of Stores, Office for registration and then put into the tender box outside the Controller of Stores, Office by the tenderer or his representative.

CONTROLLER OF STORES
(1083)

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS for the Curtain Mosquito Netting 450 Nos. are invited and will be received in Controller of Stores Office, East Indian Railway, Calcutta, 105 Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta up to 12 o'clock (noon) on the 30th August, 1948.

Tender No. S./UC/GB9/Est/253/48 at Rs. 2/- per copy with full particulars is obtainable from the Controller of Stores Office, E. I. Railway, Calcutta.

CONTROLLER OF STORES
(1081)

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS for Black Poplin or Tussarate 27"/28" 10,000 Yds. are invited and will be received in the General Manager's Office, 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, upto 12 o'clock (noon) on the 6th September, 1948.

Tender No. S/UC/NS14/Cloth at Rs. 2/- per copy with full particulars is obtainable from the Controller of Stores, Office E.I. Ry. Calcutta.

GENERAL MANAGER
(1082)

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in the Contraller of Stores' Office, East Indian Railway, 105 Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta before 12 noon on 28-9-48.

Tender No. SPD|164|Est|Hd|56B|49 for the supply of "Boards Teakwood" for 5269 Nos.

Tender form with full particulars may be obtained from the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta on payment of Rs. 2|- per copy to the Treasurer, E.. I. Rly., Calcutta and on production of his receipt when applying for the same. Copy of Drawing No. 11031|94-72|Revised may be purchased from the Office of the Chief Electrical Engineer, E. I. Rly., Calcutta at Rs. 3|- per copy on production of Treasurer's receipt.

Firms outside Calcutta may however remit the amount to the Controller of Stores, direct by Money Order for tender form only and for the drawing to the CEE Calcutta. No refund is admissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented to the Controller of Stores' Office for registration and then put into the tender Box outside the Controller of Stores' Office by the Tenderer or his representative.

CONTROLLER OF STORES
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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE BANK OF INDIA LIMITED
NEW SHARES.

SHAREHOLDERS entitled to the offer of new shares (or the nominees of such shareholders) who have not already paid for and taken up such new shares are hereby reminded that the 1ST OCTOBER, 1948, is now the last date for submitting the application forms duly completed with payment.

THE 1ST OCTOBER, 1948 is also now the last date for such shareholders as are entitled to the issue of Fractional Bearer Coupons to make application therefor.

For want of correct or sufficient addresses, some of the Letters of Offer and Forms may not have reached shareholders. Any shareholder on the Register on 25-5-1948 or the Legal Representative of any deceased shareholder who has not received the Letter of Offer and Forms should immediately communicate with:—

The Bank of India Limited,
Share Department,
Mahatma Gandhi Road,
(P.O. Box No. 238), Bombay, 1.

Dated at Bombay, this 16th day of August, 1948.

A. C. CLARKE,
General Manager.
The Bank of India Limited.
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NOTICE

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA,
BOMBAY, the 16th July, 1948.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Imperial Bank of India will be held at the Local Head Office of the Bank, No. 3, Strand Road, Calcutta, on MONDAY, the 23rd August 1948, at 11-30 a.m. (S.T.) for the transaction of the following business:—

1. To receive the Central Board's Report, the Balance Sheet of the Bank made up to the 30th June 1948, and the Report of the Auditors.
2. To elect three Auditors and to fix their remuneration.

A. R. CHISHOLM,
Managing Director.
(933)

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

IN PURSUANCE of a requisition, received under Section 36 (D) and (H) of the Municipal Act, for calling a Special (Urgency) Meeting of the Corporation to express the Corporation's appreciation of the attitude of the Textile Workers of the City in not staging the Token Strike on the 11th August 1948, A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION will be held in the Municipal Office on Monday, the 23rd August 1948, at 3-30 P.M. (Bombay Time).

By Order of
His Worship the Mayor,
B. V. MODY,
Municipal Secretary.

Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 17th August, 1948.
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NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS are invited from Medical graduates of a recognised University to fill up the following posts:—

1. PROFESSOR OF PATHOLOGY—Scale of pay Rs. 1000-50-1400. Qualifications —M.R.C.P. or F.R.C.P. with any other additional qualifications.
2. LECTURER in PHARMACOLOGY—Scale of pay Rs. 800-50-1200. Qualification M.R.C.P.

The posts are on contract for 3 years. Candidates with Teaching and research experience are given preference. Application together with testimonials should be sent to the Administrative Officer to reach him not later than the 7th September, 1948. Candidates will have to join duty immediately. 1088

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
Award No. 47 of 1948

In the matter of the INDIAN ARBITRATION ACT, 1940
and
In the matter of an ARBITRATION between—
GORDHANDAS BHAGWANDAS, carrying on business as a Share Broker at Stock Exchange, Dalal Street, Fort, within the Fort of Bombay Petitioner

versus

VITHALDAS MANGALDAS PATEL, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Ratan Mahal, 128-130 Walkeshwar Road, outside the Fort of Bombay Respondent.

To
VITHALDAS MAGALDAS PATEL, The Respondent abovenamed.

TAKE NOTICE that the Award in the matter bearing date the 4th day of May, 1948, was filed in my Office on the 11th day of June, 1948.

Dated this 8th day of July, 1948.

(Sd). K. K. DASTUR.
Prothonotary and Senior Master.

(Sd.) A.-R. NARAYAN 1YER.
This 9th day of July, 1948.
Messrs. MADHAVJI & CO., Attorneys for the Petitioner.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SHAMBHULAL GOVINDJI JOBANPUTRA has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients free from all incumbrances.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property or any part thereof by way of inheritance, possession, mortgage, sale, exchange, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay within fourteen days from the date of publication hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground of pension and tax tenure being a portion of the part called or known by the name of "Modesure", situate, lying and being at Hansali Tank in Mahim in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1734 sq. yds. or thereabouts according to the Collector's record containing by admeasurement 1973 sq. yds. (be the same more or less) and registered by the Collector of Bombay under Nos. 273 and 542 New No. A1|3960 and 4423, Old Survey No 275, New Survey No. 18|1439 and Cadastral Survey No. 287 of the Mahim Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No 4234 (5) 4247, Street No. 22A and 508 Hansali Tank Road and Lady Jamshedji Road and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East partly by the property of Jeevaji Jeetaji and partly by the property of Harishchandra Anant Dharu on or towards the West partly by the property of Jesus Fernandes partly by the property of Mr. Savant and partly by the property of Mansukhlal Bhagwandas, on or to towards the South by the Hansali Tank Street and on or towards the North partly by the property of Mansukhlal Bhagwandas partly by the property of Ramrao Gopinath and others and partly by the property of Gulabhai Ramchandra Dandokar.

Dated this 16th day of August, 1948.

MAZAGONWALLA & CO.,
Attorneys for the Purchasers.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KANBAI, widow of Damji Murji has contracted with our clients for the absolute sale to them free from all claims and incumbrances of the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim or interest to or in the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, gift, inheritance, residence, use, trust, maintenance, possession, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office, No. 8 Nanabhai Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, as otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claims if any, and the same will be considered and treated as having been absolutely waived and abandoned.

THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of Khoti land or ground situate at Mouje Pakhadi Belwadi Kasbe Malad, Pot Tukdi Bandra Tukdi and District Thana and admeasuring 2273 square yards together with the buildings standing thereon and bounded on the East by the property of Laxman Daya on the West by the property of Shet Abdul Hamid Habibbhai on the South by Mathuradas Road and on the North by the boundary of Kandivli which premises are assessed by the Notified Area Committee of Kandivli as at Mathuradas Road, Kandivli bearing HMN Nos. 99, 100, 101 and which, said premises are partly in the occupation of the Vendor and partly in the occupation of her tenants.

Dated this 16th day of August, 1948.

THAKORDAS & CO.
Purchasers Attorneys.
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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF 82 Junglewood Belfast Trusses on TUESDAY, 24th Inst. at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) at 'R' Shed Princess Dock, Bombay, under instructions from The Controller of Stores, Bombay Port Trust, Mazagon, Bombay.

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Etawah	Nagpur City
Faizabad	Nainital
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To-day

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Parsi: Aspandarmad 20, 1317.
Sunrise: 6-21 a.m. Sunset 19-05 p.m.
Hightide: 11-56, 23-38
Lowtide: 05-04, 18-56

To-day's Engagements

MUNICIAPL STANDING COMMITTEE: p.m. (B. T.).

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Jehangir Wadia Bldg. Flora Fountain: Public Study Class on 'Real Memory' 6-15 p.m. to-day

SEND-OFF TO Mr. C. P. SHAH: A public meeting of the citizens of Ghatkopar will be held on Thursday (Cocoanut Day) the 19th instant at 9 a.m. at the Rashtriya Shala Hall for giving a hearty send-off to Mr. C. P. Shah, a leading citizens of Ghatkopar who is flying to America and Europe

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE: Voluntary Social Workers' Training Class today at the League's Head Office, Sandhurst Road, Girgaon, when Dr. K. N. Choksy will delivery a lecture on 'Prevention of Infectious Diseases" at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.)

AT DEHRU HALL: Prof G. D. Parikh of R. R. College today at 8-45 p.m. on Philosophy of New Humanism and tomorrow at 8-45 p.m. on Power and Politics.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: Today at 6-15 p.m. at Petit Fasali Atashkadeh, New Marine Lines, Dastur) Framroze Bode on "The prestine pure teachings of Zarathushtrianism".

TECHNOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION. Dr. R. V. Bhat, on 'Viscose Rayon Fibres' at 5 p.m. today in the auditorium of the Department of Chemical Technology, Matunga.

UNION OF THE STAFF OF THE SCINDIA AND ASSOCIATED COS.: The annual general meeting of the Union of the Staff of Scindia and Associated Cos. held last week elected Sjt. Asoka Mehta, F. M. Pinto-M. R. Chokhawala, D. B. Naik, L. M. Kelkar-P. R. Vasadva and G. A. Dalvi as President, two Vice-Presidents, General Secretary, two Joint Secretaries and Treasurer respectively for the current year.

SETH SAHIJRAM KHIAMAL CHARITABLE DISPENSARY: The Charitable Dispensary for the use of public has been declared open on August 15, on the occasion of 1st anniversary of India's Independence.

ARYAN SHRAVANI CEREMONY: Sacred thread ceremony according to Vedic rites of all the Aryan families in Greater Bombay tomorrow Thursday at 8-30 a.m. at Halai Lohana Mahajan Wadi, Thakurwar.

YAJUR UPAKARMAM: Sri N. S. S. Badhyar, (Rasu Vadyar), will conduct Yajur Veda Upakarmam at Bhuta Nivas 1, Room 22, Matunga (G. I. P.), on 19th inst. Time 10-30 a.m.

UPAKARMA: Sriman Kethandapatti Narsimhachariar will conduct from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., at Appaji Ramachandra Building, Deodhar Road and from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Plot 13, Brahminwada Road, Matunga, on Thursday.

RIG AND YAJUR UPAKARMAMS. Sri Vaithilinga Vedhyar will conduct the Rig Veda and Yajur Veda Upakarmams at the Asthika Samaj Hall, Matunga (G. I. P.), on the 18th and 19th inst., respectively.

AT S. I. BHAJANA SAMAJ. The "Rigveda" Sravana Upakarma will be conducted by Brahmasri Melatur Vadhyar, today, at the South Indian Bhajan Samaj premises, Matunga, between 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.

AT S. I. WELFARE SOCIETY. Yajur-Veda Upakarma Ceremony by Kunniur Sri Subramaniya Sastrigal, will be conducted on Thursdmy, at 10-30 a.m., at the South Indian Welfare Society's premises, near Napoo Gardens.

EMPLOYEES MASS MEETING: "Mass Meeting of Employees of Banks, Insurance Companies, Government Offices and other Commercial Offices will be held today (Wednesday), at 6 p.m., at the Cowasji Jehangir Hall to agitate for more dearness allowence, protest against Justice Coyajee5s judgment regarding reinstatement of wrongful dismissals and general retrenchment". Mr. Asoka Mehta, will preside.

Jai Prakash At Ghatkopar

A meeting to celebrate Independence Day was held under the auspices of the Ghatkopar Progressive Students Association. Mr. Chimanlal Popatlal Shah, presided. Inspite of incessant and heavy rains the hall was fully crowded.

After the flag salutation, in opening his address Mr. Jai Prakasha narrated the events preceding the attainemnt of Independence. He paid tributes to the martrys of the movement and pointed out that unless the people got freedom in every sence Independence had no meaning.

Radio

BOMBAY, Wednesday, Aug. 18.
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. P. G. Parab (Sitar) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 P. G. Parab (Sitar) 8-45 C. V. Pantvaidya (Vocal) 12-0 p.m. Variety programme 12-30 Jagmohan 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Mishra Sangeet 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Musical Quiz by Adi Marzban 2-0 Elizabeth Webb Noel Gordon, Chorus with Orchestra 2-10 Robert Armstruster with Orchestra 4-20 School Broadcast 5-0 Madhav N. Indorkar (Tabla) 5-15 S. K. Abhyankar (Vocal) 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Madhav N. Indorkar (Tabla) 6-30 Vimal Patki (Shankara) 7-0 Topic of Day 7-10 Locals 7-15 Firoz Nizami Aur Janardan 7-30 Tafrih Gahen: (U) by Habib Tanvir 7-45 Saigal 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Jaltarang By Ratnakant 8-45 Takshashila (G) by Prof. Gauriprasad C. Jhala 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Anatomy of War (E) by Prof. M. L. Dantwalla 10-0 C. V. Pantvaidya (Vocal).

VARIATIONS.
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s).
7-40 a.m. Padavali 5-45 p.m. Hiralal Nakshigara (Gujarati Bhajan) (Ganpatram) 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners.
61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s).
7-45 p.m. Commercial News 8-0 Hiralal Nakshigara Gujarati Bhajan, (Nanalal) 8-15 Siraj Aur Umar Ansari Ke Geet 9-0 Vimal Patki (Miyamalhar) 10-0 Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra 10-15 Adrian De Mello: Violin (Kreisler) 10-30 Marian Anderson (Contralto) (Verdi) 10-40 Aloo Surveyor: Piano (Bach).

"INDIANS ABROAD CAN WALK WITH HEADS HIGH NOW"

Freedom Has Given Self-Respect And Status To Them, Says Anup Singh

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

"With the advent of Indian freedom, Indians abroad can walk with their heads high, whereas prior to August 15, 1947 they felt the stigma of foreign domination more than the Indians in this country", said Dr. Anup Singh, well-known author and former Secretary of the India League of America, and then of the National Committee for Indian Freedom, addressing a gathering of Bombay journalists at the B.U.J. premises this evening.

Narrating an incident in corroboration of his statement Dr. Singh said that on one occasion he heard one of the Mexican workers on his farm say, "He may be our boss, but what is he? He comes from a country which has no flag". All that had changed today. During the last war British propaganda dubbed Indians as pro-Fascist and pro-Japanese. Inspite of this Americans were sympathetic towards Indian aspirations. The average American, though ignorant about India, was carried away by Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy and felt that the demand for freedom coming from a man of his eminence, could not but be amply justified.

Regarding the American attitude towards Russia, the speaker stated that the majority of the Americans were not anti-Russians. The conservative press and the Catholic Church carried on an intensive campaign to the effect that Russia was a menace to world peace. This section had been responsible for the average American's belief that despite America's efforts to solve the European problem Russia's adamantine attitude was not conducive to a settlement. The Americans felt frustrated and wondered, what the future had in store for them.

"As far as China is concerned, the State Department is pre-Chiang. There are other elements however," Dr. Singh said "who feel that the so-called communists are in a better position to serve the country." Here Dr. Singh pointed out that it would be a mistake to mix up communism in the traditional sense so far as the trouble in China was concerned. Most of the problem was agrarian and once it was solved to the satisfaction of the small peasants, China could advance and would become an outstanding force in the Far East.

Referring to the Palestine question, Dr. Singh stated that ever since the Balfour Declaration, American Presidents had gone on record in support of a Jewish Home in Palestine. Both Republican and Democratic candidates had incorporated their support of Zionism in their election campaigns. The reason for this was that the Jews had been able to provide documentary proof in support of their claim that they were more capable than the Arabs to improve the lot of the common people. "The long and short of the Jewish problem," Dr. Singh emphasised "may be summed up as a conflict of British Imperialism, American 'Oilism,' Russian Opportunism, Arab Nationalism and Jewish Zionism."

Concluding his review of the American outlook, the speaker said that there was in America a group of farseeing people who were ready to look beyond the bounds of nationalism, and to back up any international organisation to attain world peace. A movement towards this end had already been started.

Earlier, introducing the speaker to the assembly, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, said that though the strength of the gathering was not as large as could be wished for, the welcome was nonetheless hearty. Mr. Brelvi gave a brief review of Dr. Singh's life and activities in America, where the latter was closely connected with the India League of America. During the "Quit India" movement, Mr. Brelvi said, Dr. Singh in collaboration with Dr. Syed Hussain, India's Ambassador to Egypt, formed a Committee to counteract the anti-Indian propaganda conducted by the British in America.

WHY ASK FOR SANCTION OF SCHEME AFTER ACCEPTING TENDERS?

Bharucha's Criticism Of Vaitarna-Tansa Project Which He Fears May Cost Rs 20 Crores

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. Naushir C. Bharucha told the Bombay Municipal Corporation today that the implementation of the Vaitarna-Tansa scheme would put an additional burden on the city by way of an increase of nearly six per cent in the general tax. Mr. Bharucha was speaking on a resolution moved by Mr. Ganpatishankar Desai that the revised 16-crore Vaitarna-Tansa scheme hitherto sanctioned by the Corporation in parts should now be adopted in toto.

Mr. Bharucha pointed out that tenders in respect of tunnelling works and embankment works were invited and already accepted. Tenders were also invited for fabrication of mains. It was wrong for the Congress Party to come to the Corporation for the final sanction of the scheme after accepting these tenders.

MAY COST RS. 20 CRORES

Refuting the suggestion made in the report that the scheme would be self-supporting Mr. Bharucha said that the estimates as given in the report would be exceeded in practice and the scheme will cost at least Rs. 20 crores. This would mean an annual increase in debt charges by nearly a crore of rupees. The Commissioner's suggestion to utilize Rs. 45 lakhs accruing from the Water Works Department was not feasible because that sum formed a part of the general revenue already.

Mr. Bharucha further said that the Commissioner was also wrong in pointing out that by 1954 there would be a saving of Rs. 30 lakhs in the debt charges on account of the repayment of the loan of Rs. two and a half crores. Saving in this case, he said, would only be to the tune of Rs. 19 lakhs, and that also will be utilized for other purposes.

Further debate on the resolution was adjourned to the next meeting of of the Corporation.

Earlier the B.E.S.T. Committee's attitude in conducting their meetings on the same lines as of a Board of Directors without formulating rules of procedure came in for strong criticism from some of the members of the House. The matter arose out of a letter written by the general manager of the B.E.S.T. Committee to the Municipal Secretary stating that the committee had not formulated rules of procedure for their meetings which were being conducted on the same lines as those of a Board of Directors.

Mr. Dinkar Desai pointed out that other committees of the Corporation had rules of procedure of their own, and it was desirable that the B.E.S.T. Committee should also fall in line with them, so that members might know what was happening in the meetings of the Committee.

Mr. C. C. Shah said that if anybody wanted the B.E.S.T. Committee to function otherwise than it was functioning at present, then it was proper for the corporation to pass a resolution to that effect.

'CHRONICLE' PROOF READER DIES

The 'Chronicle' regrets to announce the death of Mr. G. R. Bhonsle, one of our seniormost proof-readers. The death took place on Sunday morning, following a heart attack.

Mr. Bhonsle was hale and hearty and reported for duty as usual on Saturday night. Early in the morning he complained of pain in the chest, and was removed to a hospital where he succumbed after a few hours.

Mr. Bhonsle had to his credit a service of over 25 years and in his death Bombay 'Chronicle' loses one of its most dependable employees.

WEATHER

Widespread Rainfall Along Konkan Coast

POONA, Aug. 17 (API.) Following is the summary for Tuesday the 17th August 19:

Yesterday's depression has weakened and probably lies this morning over the southern districts of the East United Provinces. It is likely to move in a northern direction.

Rainfall has been widespread and locally very heavy along the Konkan. Widespread rain has also occurred over the region from Gujarat and the north Bombay Deccan to Gangetic West Bengal.

Forecast valid until the evening of 18th:—Rainfall will increase in the East United Provinces and Bihar and decrease in Gujarat and adjoining parts. Widespread rain is likely in Assam, Bengal, Chota Nagpur and over the belt extending from the North Konkan and South Gujarat to the East United Provinces and Bihar. There will also be local showers elsewhere along the West Coast, in South Hyderabad, Orissa, East Rajputana and the west United Provinces.

Heavy rainfall warning:—Locally heavy rain will occur in Bihar, the East United Provinces, East Central India and the adjoining parts of West Central India and the North Central Provinces during the next 48 hours.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Aug. 17. (API.) Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during past 24 hours from 1st June 1948 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours (I.S.T.) on the 17th August 1948:—

Ahmedabad 90 77 0.7 7.5 minus 13.9 Ahmednagar 81 71 0.1 14.7 plus 4.3 Akola 87 75 0.1 17.2 minus 1.9 Bangalore 81 65 0 20.3 plus 10.9 Baroda 86 76 0.8 9.7— Belgaum 76 68 0.3 27.9 minus 4.1 Bhopal 83 74 0.2 31.7 minus 1.8 Bhuj 94 78 0 1.9 minus 7.4 BOMBAY 79 76 3.3 52.2 plus 0.6 Calcutta 91 82 0 31.3 minus 0.2 Calicut 87 75 0.3 79.8 plus 3.0 Cherrapunji 73 66 1.1 304.1 plus 51.2 Cochin 83 73 0.5 72.0 plus 11.9 Darjiling 66 59 0.4 58.1 minus 14.1 Hyderabad (Dn) 99 80 0 4.4 minus 6.4 Indore 80 73 0.1 23.1 plus 1.5 Jubbulpore 83 0.4 36.0 minus 0.8 Khandwa 88 75 0.7 31.5 plus 23.0 Kodaikanal 84 58 0 17.1 plus 4.5 Madras 98 81 0 6.9 minus 1.0 Mahableshwar 65 64 8.9 154.2 minus 41.1 Mangalore 86 76 0.3 82.9 minus 6.9 Mysore 81 67 9 10.9 plus 4.7 Nagpur 89 76 0 23.5 minus 5.9 Ootacamund 64 52 0 15.8 minus 3.1 Patna 90 81 0 23.4 minus 2.0 Poona 80 72 0.3 13.4 0 Rajot 88 78 T 4.7 minus 13.0 Sholapur 87 73 18.7 plus 8.1 Surat 80 77 1.4 10.6 minus 20.

Walchandnagar Kamgar Union

The Labour Commissioner of Bombay, accompanied by the Labour Officer at Sholapur, recently paid a visit to the Walchandnagar, where he stayed at the bungalow of the millowners. The employers have organised a company union at Walchandnagar. The Labour Commissioner granted an interview to this Union but refused to see the representatives of the Walchandnagar Kamgar Union. He did not even intimate the Walchandnagar Kamgar Union (which is a registered union) of his visit to the factory. The Management of the factory has refused to execute the Award given by the adjudication and the Government intends to go to the Industrial Court on behalf of the workers "Socialist Party Bulletin."

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KRISHNA MENON ATTENDS PAKISTAN CELEBRATIONS IN LONDON

NEW DELHI, August 16. (A.P.I.): The following are some more messages on independence day received by His Excellency the Governor-General—

FROM PRESIDENT INENU OF TURKEY:

On the anniversary day of the foundation of the state of India, I beg Your Excellency to accept my very warm felicitations and my best wishes for your personal welfare and the prosperity of Friendly India.

FROM THE KING OF AFGHANISTAN.

On the occasion of Indian independence anniversary we send you our sincere greetings and our best wishes for Your Excellencys' health and happiness and for the welfare and prosperity of the people of India.

PAKISTAN CELEBRATIONS IN LONDON

LONDON, August 16, (Reuter): Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, High Commissioner for India in London, tonight attended Pakistan Independence day celebrations at London's exclusive Claridges' Hotel.

Among other distinguished guests Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, Deputy Premier Herbert Morrison, War Minister Emanuel Shinwell and Mr. Hector Mcneil, Minister of State, Dr. Herbert Evatt, Australian Foreign-Minister, Field-Marshal Sir Claude Auchinleck, Field Marshal Lord Wavell a former Viceroy of India and the High Commissioners in London of Canada, South Africa and New Zealand, Princess Niloufar of Hyderabad and Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia and Sir Sultan Chinoy.

Mr. Bevin showed particularly interest in the Pakistan Olympic hockey team and chatted with their manager Mr. Basir Ali Shaikh.

RECEPTION IN PARIS

PARIS, August 16, (Reuter): The celebrations of the first anniversary of Indian independence came to an end tonight with a reception held by Sir Raghavan Pillai, Indian Charge D'affairs at his residence on the fashionable Avenue Foch in the west end of Paris Many personalities belonging to the diplomatic and literary worlds in the French Capital attended the reception.

Among those present were Sir Olver Harvey, Biritsh Ambassador to France Pierre Blimlin, French Minister of Agriculture K. I. Westman, Swedish Ambassador, Doctor Tsien Tai, Chinese Ambassador, Ali Sohely, Iranian Ambassador and M. R. Holland Counsellor of the United States Embassy.

GANDHIJI'S PORTRAIT ILLUMINATED

LONDON, August 17, (Reuter): A huge portrait of Mahatma Gandhi was illuminated in the windows of India House here tonight as guests arrived for reception to celebrate India's Independence Day.

Among the guests were Foreign Secretary Mr. Ernest Bevin, Acting Prime Minister Herbert Morrison, War Minister Emanuel Shinwell and Ministers of State Hector Mcneil Doctor Herbert Evatt Australian Minister for External Affairs and the High Commissioner of Pakistan, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand as well as members of the Diplomatis corps.

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR MAHATMA ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

Indian And Pakistan Embassies Hold Receptions In Washington

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (UPA): The first anniversary of India's independence was celebrated Sunday with religious ceremonies at the Indian Embassy here.

Memorial services for the late Mahatma Gandhi highlighted the occasion.

Indian Ambassador Sir Benegal Rama Rau told high United States officials and foreign diplomats gathered on the Embassy grounds that one year of Indian independence already has "inspired all the subject countries of Asia with the hope that imperialism of the type common in the last century cannot endure."

RAMA RAU'S BROADCAST

Later, in a broadcast to Americans, Rau said rapid progress had been made in overcoming the Hindu-Muslim strife which had beset the partition of the vast sub-continent in Asia. He said, "There nave been no serious communal disturbances in any part of the Indian Union since Gandhi's death."

The Indian and Pakistani communities in New York celebrated the anniversary at meetings throughout the city.

At the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, the India League of America gave a tea for prominent Indians and Americans.

The Pakistani League of America celebrated the anniversary at a dinner at their head quarters and the Hindustan Students' Association staged a pageant at International House.

J. J. Singh, President of the India League, speaking at the Waldorf Astoria, described teh tremendous progress of India and Pakistan and the "bloodless revolution" which had happened in the countries since independence.

He said that in 20 years illiteracy will be practically eliminated and great economic progress made.

HYDERABAD & KASHMIR

Mentioning the Hyderabad and Kashmir problems, he said: "We are complete believers in democratic institutions. It is the people who count. They must have a predominant voice in deciding their fututre. The Government of India is pledged to respect the decision of a plebiscite.

The first anniversary of the birth of Pakistan was celebrated at its Embassy in Washington on Monday.

Pakistan was really one year old yesterday but the celebration was postponed to prevent a conflict with the ceremony at Indian Embassy.

Central Association's Acting President Indersingh Gill.

TRIBUTE TO INDIA

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (Reuter)—The "Washington Post" looking back, in an editorial, over the first year of India's Independence sums up by saying "the wonder is, not that there was much confusion, but that there was not more."

The newspaper says that the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi was perhaps the greatest trial of the first year.

"If the assassin had been a Muslim, the convulsion would have been incalculable", the article says "but he was a Hindu, who with a small group of like-minded Hindu terrorists, regarded Mahatma Gandhi as an appeaser of the Muslim League and Pakistan It is on this kind of appeasement, on a reciprocal basis, that the two countries will prosper."

The Contrast

LONDON, Aug. 16 (U P I)—The Karachi correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" writes:—

"In contrast with the pacific tone of the Dominion of India's celebrations during which Pandit Nehru brodcast an appeal for non-violence in tradition of Mr. Gandhi, the Pakistan celebrations were marked by military displays and martial speeches accompanied by shouts of 'Long live free Kashmir: Long live Hyderabad'.

Record Sales Of Gandhi Memorial Stamps

NEW DELHI, Aug. 16 (API)—Record sales of Gandhi Memorial stamps on Inpedendence Day are reported from Bombay, Delhi and Calcutta. Yesterday's sale at the Bombay Philatalic Bureau alone amounted to over Rs. 1,08,000. Delhi and New Delhi sales yesterday amounted to nearly 25,000. In Calcutta the sales at the Philatelic Bureau alone amounted to Rs. 44,000.

CELEBRATIONS WITH NOTE OF WARNING

COVENTRY, England, August 17, (Reuter): The Indian Workers Association of Coventry celebrated the first anniversay of Indian independence last night. Over 400 British and Indian workers were present as the Indian Tricolour Flag was hoisted by U.S. Ardhawa, Vice-President of the Association who presided.

Members of the Association most of whom are Muslims and Sikhs attended the ceremony in their native costumes. All the speakers were Indian workers who spoke in Hindustani. Mr. Ardhawa said: "We have not invited former British Viceroys or British Cabinet Ministers to speak on our platform. We have not even invited our real British leftist friends to speak on this occassion as we wanted to make it a characterstic Indian celebration.

"We are celebrating India's independence with a note of warning to our present rulers at New Delhi. The Indian workers fought for India's independence and their voice must be heard. "We are not Communists but we do not like supression of civil liberties."

E. AFRICA'S TRIBUTE TO GANDHI

NAIROBI, Aug. 16 (Reuter)—Ashes of Mahatma Gandhi were immersed on August 14 at the sources of the Nile at Jinja. A large crowd attended the ceremony. About 1500 were accommodated in a special train which left Kampala for the ceremony while people from other places flocked to the spot conveyed in buses.

Floral tributes piled high as the day wore on, including wreaths from the Governor of Uganda, the Kenya Government, Uganda Legislative Councillors, the Gandhi Society and the Central Associations of Muslims, Sikhs and Goans.

After the darshan at 3 p.m. a huge procession, five thousand strong, wended its way from the recreation club to the source of the Nile where the immersion was to take place. The immersion ceremony was performed by the Congress President Shivabhai Amin assisted by the Uganda Indian

Strict Secrecy Round Moscow Talks

MOSCOW, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Individual reports were despatched from here early today by the three western envoys, covering their three hours and 30 minutes talk with Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov at the Kremlin yesterday.

Informed sources close to the envoys had suggested earlier in the day that this meeting—sixth with M. Molotov—was possibly to be the last, and that a decision might be expected later this week but the envoys refused to comment. Nothing is thus far known of their negotiations with the Kremlin.

Inter-Dominion Boundary Commission

SHILLONG, August 16, (A.P.I.): A meeting of the Inter-Dominion Boundary Commission to settle the dispute of the Patharia Reserve was held today and adjourned till tomorrow. Mr. Syed Moazzemuddin Hossain and Mr. Rohini Kumar Choudhuri with their advisers represented the Pakistan and India Government respectively.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN SIGNS REPUBLICAN SPONSORED ANTI-INFLATION BILL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (UPA): President Truman today signed the Republican sponsored anti-inflation measure into law calling it a "tiny fraction' of what was necessary to combat high prices.

He said, "Congress in passing this law has failed to meet its responsibility to the American people."

The measure restores wartime controls, installment buying by consumers which probably would be effective within 30 days, and increases the reserves banks must maintain on time and demand deposits.

Temple Entry Appeal Judgment

(From Our Correspondent.)

HUBLI, (By Mail): Mr. Sindhe, District and Sessions Judge Dharwar yesterday delivered judgment in the appeal preferred by Shri Boarigidad Veerappa, Narayanappa Thoti, and other leaders of temple-entry movement in Gadag against temporary injunction passed against them by the Civil Judge, Junior Division, Gadag, restraining them from entering the Vira Narayana Temple at Gadag. The Judge upheld the order of the lower Court and awarded costs.

India To Get Back Buddhist Sacred Relics

The sacred relics of Sariputta and Moggallana Arahans, First disciples of Lord Buddha, which had been taken to the Victoria and Albert Museum, London are now being returned to India to the Maha Bodhi Society for being enshrined at Sanchi.

In response to a request made on behalf of the Maha Bodhi Society of India the Hon'ble Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has accepted to receive the relics on behalf of the Government of India at Calcutta when they arrive from Ceylon.

Goa Leaders Refused Interview

Representatives of the Goa National Congress in Bombay who sought information regarding the disposal of the body of Raghuvir Kamath, who died in the Central Hospital at Panjim, were refused an interview with the Consul General for Portugal on Tuesday, it is learnt.

Raghuvir Kamath and five others, D. A. Deshpande, Narayan Naik, Mukund Dakinkar, P. Sinari and Jivan Kunde, went on a hunger fast when their demand for an official enquiry into the atrocities committed in Wazari Village was ignored by the authorities. Furthermore the hunger-fasters demanded recognition as political prisoners.

The condition of the prisoners deteriorated after a prolonged fast, and necessitated their removal to the Central Hospital. A strong military guard was posted around the hospital to prevent communication with the ailing prisoners. The representatives of the Goa Congress state that following the death of Kamath, no information regarding the disposal of his body has been allowed to reach his relatives or fellow workers. Nor is any news regarding the condition of the hunger strikers been revealed.

According to the representatives of the Goa Congress the Consul General for Portugal has refused an interview on the ground that the case is political.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS BRITISH PREFAB BUSES

The Bombay Government has placed an order for 225 sets of "skeleton components" of Britain's new prefabricated buses. The manufacturers, a Birmingham firm, have been able to develop important export markets for this new product in the 12 months since it was first announced.

Countries which nave already received consignments of these prefabricated buses include Argentina, Brazil, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, Egypt and Spain.

The revolutionary technique on which the construction is based enables these buses to be assembled as simply as parts of a Meccano set. The saving of labour in assembly is as much as 25 per cent and the weight of the vehicle is reduced by 20 per cent. The framework of a single-deck bus can be assembled in 12 man-hours, while that of a double-decker takes 22 hours.

ALL-METAL CONSTRUCTION

No timber is used for the prefab bus. The framework consists wholly of steel tubes, metal parts and panelling in "Hiduminium", an aluminium base alloy. Tubular steel seat frames can also be supplied. All these components are particularly suited for use in hot climates.

TOKEN STRIKE IN CALCUTTA BANKS

12 Persons Arrested For Picketing

CALCUTTA, August 17, (A.P.I.): Work in Calcutta banks was considerably affected today by a one-day strike of bank employees called in support of the strike in the Calcutta offices of the Central Bank of India, which has been in progress since Aug. 5 The Central Bank strikers allege non-implementation of some of the awards of the tribunal to which their dispute with the bank was referred last year.

Today's strike as well as the strike of Central Bank employees were described as illegal by the West Bengal Government, in a press note issued last week. They stated that a strike on the issues raised by the Central Bank employees was illegal in as much as they had been adjudicated upon and the awards were still current; and that a sympathetic strike in furtherance of an illegal was also illegal.

Twelve persons were taken into custody today on a charge of picketing the gates of some of the banks. Armed police were posted at many of the bank gates, while mobile police patrolled different areas.

A number of small banks unofficially observed a holiday today, while the work in other banks were carried out by depleted staffs.

Junagadh Restrictions On Entry From Pakistan

JUNAGADH, (By Mail).

Junagadh Government has enforced an Act with immediate effect to control the admission into Junagadh State of persons from West Pakistan Only those persons will enter the State from the West Pakistan who hold permits valid under rules prescribed by the Government of India.

Any illegal entry in contravention of the provisions of the Act is made punishable with imprisonment which may extend to one year or fine upto Rs. 1,000 or both.

Jaipur Congress Site Selected

The General Secretary, I.N.C., writes:—

"At a meeting of the Site Selection Sub-Committee, Moti Doongri area extending about two miles south-east of the city of Jaipur has been selected to be the venue of the forthcoming Jaipur-Session of the Indian National Congress"

Belgian Ambassador In India

NEW DELHI Aug. 17 (API)—His Highness the Prince De Elingne the Ambassador of Belgium in India left for Belgium on August 11. During his absence Mr. Charles Pigault De Beaupre will be in charge of the Embassy.

Shone For Bombay

NEW DELHI, Aug. 16 (API)—Sir Terence Shone, United Kingdom High Commissioner in India, is leaving New Delhi by the Frontier Mail on August 18 for Bombay en route to the United Kigdom.

Mr. A. C. B. Symon will act as High Commissioner pending the arrival of Sir Archibald Nye.

Bonus For Mill Workers

AHMEDABAD, Aug. 16 (API)—Mill operatives of Baroda, Billimora and Navsari in Baroda State will get 25 per cent of their total earnings for 1947 as bonus, according to agreement reached between the representatives of the Mills and the Labour association.

ACQUIRING OF BIRLA HOUSE

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17 (A.P.I.): The Minister for Works, Mines and Power replying to Mr. Kesava Rao, in the Indian Parliament today said that no proposal to acquire the Birla House for the nation was under consideration.

Replying to a number of supplementaries arising out of this, the Prime Minister said that the question had been considered in its various aspects during the last few months by the members of the Government—not of course, officially by the Government. Their feeling was that acquiring Birla House would be undesirable, but it was wellknown that there was a very strong desire on the part of large numbers of our countrymen to visit this place. He had communicated this desire to the owner of the house, Mr. Ghanashyamdas Birla. Mr. Birla had offered to abide by any decision that "we might arrive at". The Prime Minister, however, felt that it would not be proper for him or any of his colleagues to arrive at any decision which implied any kind of pressure in such a matter. Ultimately, therefore, he suggested to Mr. Birla that arrangements should be made to give full facilities to the people to see and to visit the house, especially the area where the prayers used to be held and where the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi had taken place, and that this area might be cordoned off. He understood that this had been done, and a separate gate was being erected to enable people to visit the spot. There had been some delay in erecting this because the Godse trial was still going on, and the court had expressed the wish that while the trial was on, no changes should oe made in the structure. But meanwhile arrangements had been made to give full facilities during certain hours of the morning and evening every day for people to visit the place. It would of course be difficult to make the house completely accessible to people going to and from all hours of the day.

QUESTION OF MEMORIAL

Answering a member who asked whether it was proposed to put up any memorial on the spot, the Prime Minister said he did not know what the member had in mind when he talked of a memorial. But he and many others felt that the erection of anything on the spot would spoil the place and .hat it should be left as it was of course, there might be some small sign to indicate the place.

MORARJI TO GIVE EVIDENCE IN GODSE TRIAL

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, Government of Bombay, will leave for Delhi shortly to give evidence in the Mahatma murder trial, it is learnt.

Mr. C. K. Daphtary, Advocate General, Government of Bombay who is the chief prosecuting counsel in the case arrived in Bombay by special plane last evening. He met Mr. Morarji Desai, in the first of what is expected to be a series of consultations regarding the legal implications of the evidence tendered before the court by Prof. L. C. Jain of the Ruia College, who was the host of Madanlal, one of the accused in the case.

Madanlal having taken Prof. Jain into his confidence about some of his alleged conspiratorial plans, Prof. Jain made a statement before the court that he had contacted both Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister and Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister about Madanlal's activities. It would appear that Mr. Desai will now tender evidence regarding the correctness or otherwise of Prof. Jain's version.

It is understood that today Mr. Daphtary gave to the Home Minister an account of the progress of the trial and also discussed the nature of Prof. Jain's evidence.

Mr. Daphtary who is expected to fly back to Delhi on Thursday, also met Mr. Dinkarrao Desai, who holds the portfolio of Law as well.

GODSE TRIAL ADJOURNED TILL FRIDAY

RED FORT, New Delhi August 17, (A.P.I.): Shanker Kistayya one of the accused in the Mahatma Gandhi murder case being indisposed the hearing of the case was adjourned till Friday, August 20.

Approver Badge, whose presence was required in the court for identification purposes is also indisposed today.

Plea For Loan Of Indian Books For Prague Exhibition

NEW DELHI, August 17, (A.P.I): An exhibition of oriental books will be held in Prague in September, 1948, says a Press Note.

The Government of the Republic of Czechoslovakia has requested the Government of India to obtain a representative selection of ancient and modern Indian prints manuscripts, books in Indian languages and a map of India in Hindi.

Universities, learned societies and individuals willing to loan material for exhibits may contact immedately the Ministry of Educatiin (Administration and External Relations Division) Government of India.

"RETALIATION CAN'T BRING HAPPINESS"

C. R. Stresses Need For Understanding And Brotherhood

NEW DELHI, August 16. (A.P.I.): For the first time, the Governor-General of India spoke to rural areas in Hindustani in a message broadcast on Independence Day in the rural programme of the All-India Radio.

His Excellency Shri C. Rajagopalachari said:

"Anger and retaliation cannot give us happiness. The history of the past twelve months is a record of attempts to achieve happiness through anger and retaliation. If happiness could be achieved by retaliation, today the people of Pakistan and India must both be very happy. But we are not happy. We know how far away we are from happiness. This should teach us a lesson.

Anger and retaliation are the Devil's weapons to keep evil going in this world. Through them the devil is counteracting the teachings and defeating the purpose of the prophets and the saints.

We should forget what has happened and pray to God that from now on we may live like human beings and brothers to one another. You should look upon every woman as a mother or sister and every child as your own child By hating one another we cannot achieve satisfaction or happiness in our lives. It is only when we begin to help one another that we shall achieve true happiness.

If something wicked takes place somewhere, treat it like plague or cholera and think of means to isolate yourself from the infection.

For governmental purposes our country has been divided into two: but in trade and economic affairs there is no conflict between Pakistan and India. We should help each other and advance trade and commerce in both states. If we help one another we shall both rise in the world and attain great prestige and influence".

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C. Switch off engine and keep the clutch pedal depressed?

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A Petrol?
B. Scrubbing-brush and soap?
C. Wipe with a cloth?
D. Kerosene?

12 JACK RABBIT DRIVING

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AUSTRALIA (First Innings) 389
ENGLAND (Second Innings) (for 7 wickets) ... 178

LONDON, August 17. (Reuter): Bad light and a thunderstorm mercifully ended England's troubles soon after 4 p.m. (B.S.T.), on the third day of the fifth and final Test match at the Oval here. Australia were then within an ace of recording their fourth victory in this series of tests.

With seven second innings wickets down for 78 runs England needed 159 to avoid an innings defeat.

Once again the English batsmen shaped badly against the Australian speed attack, this time under conditions entirely favourable for run-getting.

As in the first innings Hutton alone mastered the bowling and his gallant display held up the Australians for four and a quarter hours. He scored 64 faultless runs out of 153 and the crowd thoroughly appreciated his gallant fight.

A not-too-happy Denis Compton gave him the best support during the third wicket partnership which added 61 runs in nearly two hours, before Compton fell to a fine gully catch when 39. After Compton left, four more wickets fell for 53 runs.

Lindwall again caused the most concern to England's batsmen and taking three wickets in the second innings, he brought his successes in the series of tests to 27. This equals the best number by any other Australian fast bowler in England and is two short of the 29 obtained by Grimmett during the 1930 tour.

Crowds again began to gather early at the Oval here for the third day of the fifth Test between England and Australia, and four hours before the starting time there were long queues outside the entrances. Trains, buses and trams brought more and more enthusiasts to the ground for their four hour wait.

Meteorological experts forecast moderately fair weather. They stated it would be cool, becoming rather warmer in the afternoon, with the possibility of slight scattered showers later in the day.

Under as almost cloudless sky and in warm sunshine the great crowd started going through the main turnstiles two hours before the start. Inside, officials were approvingly examining the pitch. The wicket seemed likely to be easy paced.

Norman Yardley called for the medium roller on a pitch that looked firm and full of runs.

Good news for England came when it was announced that Alan Watkins would be fit to bat, although his left shoulder remains stiff from the effects of a blow from a Lindwall bumper on Saturday.

Play began with Lindwall sending down the one ball needed to complete the over interrupted last night by the successful appeal for bad light. Ring went on again at the other end and Edrich cracked the fourth delivery through the covers for four. Ring had only one over however for Bradman switched Lindwall immediately and gave Johnston the duty of sharing the main attack. So far the pitch had shown no sign of helping the bowlers. Conditions in fact looked perfect for batting.

So easily did Hutton and Edrich play the bowling that it came as a surprise when Edrich was clean bowled by Lindwall. Yet not many batsmen would have stopped the extra fast ball which crashed through his forward defensive guard and uprooted his off stump.

The Australian pace man reserves his fastest ball for delivery about once every third over and when it comes it is as quick as anything ever bowled by England's Harold Larwood.

England's second wicket fell at 64 and Compton joined Hutton at a critical stage.

Accurate bowling by Johnson kept Compton very watchful and he looked strangely unlike his normal confident self taking twenty minutes over his first run—an edged single to square leg.

The running between wickets did not impress and after Compton scrambled home for a bye Hutton only just reached his ground before a fine thirty yards throw by Loxton broke the wicket.

Lindwall rested after five overs, last two of which were maidens and Ring who replaced him, opened with a maiden. So tied down the defence were the batsmen that the total rose by one 18 runs in the first fifty minutes.

Compton at this stage could do little right and was lucky still to be in after forty minutes by which time he had scored nine, including one four. Had Loxton at deep square leg been fielding a yard or two deeper for this stroke he would have received an easy catch

Compton also survived a loud appeal for leg before from Ring and two or three times he mistimed strokes. Hutton shaped better against Johnston who bowled in his best for varying pace and length well and attacking stumps all the time.

Suddenly Compton aroused the 20,000 crowd with nine runs off three successive balls. For an hour and a quarter Johnston maintained his excellent bowling until at 99 he gave way to Lindwall. Before calling on Lindwall to revert to his original end Bradman frequently tested direction and strength of the wind with his handkerchief and with the wind behind him Lindwall began to work up to full pace refusing to claim the new ball when it became available at the start of his third over.

When 37 Hutton reached 2,000 runs for the season, he was the second batsman to do so. Kent's Arthur Fagg is the other.

Apparently Bradman decided not to take the new ball before lunch for after four overs by Lindwall he brought Miller into the attack for the first time today. Miller did not adopt his usual fast methods but bowled medium pace of breaks round the wicket to a defensive field hard to penetrate.

At lunch the pair were still together and Compton appeared to have got over his shaky start. They had added 59 in 95 minutes with the score at 121 for two. England still needed 216 to avert an innings defeat. Hutton's 42 not out had taken him three hours and a quarter.

Lindwall took the new ball for the first delivery after lunch and again Bradman preferred Johnston to Miller as his partner. The decision was justified when in Johnston's second over he dismissed Compton who had seemed to be finding his best form. Compton tried to drive a well pitched up ball which swung late and flew off the edge of his bat to Lindwall in the gully. The third wicket added 61. Possibly Compton felt unsettled by a Lindwall bumper the previous over.

A no ball from Loxton was punched past cover for four by Hutton which took the Yorkshire man's score to 52 out of 133, the result of three hours 40 minutes batting. But for the most part it was now a question of determined bowling being met by dogged defence in which Crapp joined Hutton. Crapp concentrated on keeping his wicket intact and waiting for the runs to come

The game lapsed into almost complete quietude and only 21 runs came in the first 45 minutes after lunch. In an endeavour to unsettle Hutton Brandman tried repeated bowling changes but the first excitement for a long time came when Miller began a series of bumpers at Crapp, one of which struck him a sharp blow on the head

"Take him off" cried the crowd and Miller finished his over with half pace deliveries.

An hour after lunch England suffered another disastrous blow. Miller bowled one of his fastest balls to Hutton who was unsettled by its pace and edged a catch to the wicketkeeper, making four wickets down for 153.

Hutton had batted four hours and a quarter and did not give a chance in a fine innings in which he seldom looked troubled. He hit four fours.

The speed of Miller worried Crapp and in the next over his bails went flying when he missed another lightning delivery and half the side were then out for 164.

Watkins survived an appeal for leg before off the first ball he received but he broke his "duck" in his first Test by turning Ring to leg for a single. However, he lasted only five minutes for a well-judged catch by Hassett, fielding at long leg, gave Ring his first wicket in a Test match.

When Evans joined his captain with six wickets down for 167 a big black cloud gathered near the ground and an appeal for light appeared imminent. This did not come until Evans had been bowled by Lindwall at 178.

Yardley spoke to umpire Baldwin who consulted Dai Davies and immediately the players went off.

Heavy rain began to fall and the interruption seemed likely to be of a long duration. The ends of the wickets were covered.

Thousands of spectators unable to take shelter were soon wet through the skin, including hundreds of women and girls in summer frocks when a thunderstorm broke over the ground. The rain stopped after fifteen minutes but resumed after a short period.

When it was announced shortly before 6 p.m. (B.S.T.) that there would be no more play today there were only a few hundred people remaining on the ground. In three and three-quarter hours' play England lost six wickets for 124 runs.

The Score Board

ENGLAND (Second Innings)

Hutton c Tallon b Miller	64
Dewes b Lindwall	10
Edrich b Lindwall	28
Compton c Lindwall b Johnston	39
Crapp b Miller	9
Yardley (not out)	2
Watkins c Hassett b Ring	2
Evans b Lindwall	8
Extras	16
Total (for 7 wickets)	178

Fall of wickets: 1/20, 2/64, 3/125, 4/153, 5/164, 6/167, 7/178.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lindwall	22.5	5	43	3
Miller	15	6	22	2
Loxton	10	2	16	0
Johnston	25	11	37	1
Ring	28	13	44	1

Poddar Rout Ismail In Collegiate Football

PODDAR	5
ISMAIL	0

BOMBAY, Tuesday: When the intercollegiate football tournament commenced this evening at the Cooperage, the Poddar College eliminated the Ismail College from the first round by the wide margin of five goals to nil. The standard of play witnessed, was, however, far from satisgactory even for a collegiate tie. Nayar and Engineer got two goals each for their college, Engineer scoring one from a penalty, and Fernandes completed the tally.

P. V. M. TABLE TENNIS

Meera Gajendrasingh Extended By Dhun Munshi

BOMBAY, Tuesday

The remaining first and second round matches in the Women's Singles event of the P. V. M. Gymkhana Table Tennis Tournament were played off this evening.

In the most exciting match on the programme, Meera Gajendrasingh just managed to last out to enter the third round. It was mainly due to the lack of enterprise on the part of her opponent Miss Dhun Munshi, who after leading 18-14 in the first game played very carelessly to lose the game at 19-21, and this relaxing on her part cost her a very important decision, as in the second game she beat Meera In the third and last game she again played the game in the same manner as cost her the first game, and with the same result. She was indeed unlucky to lose very narrowly to a player of the standard of Meera Gajendrasingh

The following are the results:

Women's Singles

FIRST ROUND: Meera Gajendrasingh beat P. Pierre-Jean, 21-8, 21-12; D. Munshi beat D. Hadiwalla, 21-2; 21-12; V. Shroff w.o 'A' Player; Dhun Mistry beat K. Mistri 21-11, 21-14; K. Pavry beat D. Bastawalla, 21-14, 21-13 Enid Bocarro w.o. "E" Player.

SECOND ROUND: Dhun Mistri beat V. Shroff, 21-7, 21-16; Enid Bocarro beat K. Pavry, 21-7, 21-8; Meera Gajendrasingh beat Dhun Munshi, 21-19 18-21, 21-17

Fixture For Today

6 p.m. First Round of Womens' Doubles

MISS PHANSALKAR EXTENDED C. C. I. Badminton

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The weeding out process continued this evening in the Cricket Club of India badminton matches when the second round of men's singles and men's doubles was decided. Most of the matches played were either one sided or of no high standard.

Miss Phansalkar, the new 'Varsity champion was extended fully into the three games by Miss Canteenwalla, the scores being 7-11, 11-3, 11-3 in Miss Phansalkar's favour. The losers started off brightly, and had Miss Phansalkar on the run for the greater part of the first set, but the subsequent loss of her stamina during the remainder of the match forced her concede the match.

Rangers In Drawn Match

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

RANGERS	1
RASHID'S XI	1

When the Harwood League was resumed this evening at the Co-operage the Rangers were concerned in a tame draw with the Rashid's XI, each side scoring once, the Rangers through Moses and the Rashid's XI through Dass. Both the goals were scored in the second half.

With the ground wet and slippery after the rains of the last few days, the players did not find their foothold quite secure and intelligent moves on either side were at a discount largely due to the dearth of talent on either side.

Woodcock who has been moved about from place to place this season by the Rangers found himself this evening in the right-half position where he was conspicuous for some good work Alexander who was once again moved to the attacking line was not at all comfortable in the inside-right position and the front line of the Rangers failed to be dangerous.

Rashid's XI, once again demonstrated that they were a fair weather combination and failed to exploit the opportunities that came their way during the evening.

The teams:

RANGERS— Mendonza; Wilson and Farooqui; Woodcock, McMurray and Stanley; Santiago, Alexander, Moses, Le Febour and Waghela.

RASHID'S XI— Anthony; Ahmed and Panna; Raffael, Shivram and Hussein, I. Joseph, Lalloo, Dass, Roberts and Moorthy.

Wednesday evening at 5-35 p.m. Trades vs. Firestones.

MIDDLECOAT SUSPENDED

Albert Middlecoat the Rangers soccer player once again found himself suspended, this time from the soccer field. The W.I.F.A. Committee which met this evening decided that his conduct against the G.I.P. in their Harwood League fixture on the 25th of July was sufficient to warrent a sine die suspension. It may be recalled that a few seasons ago he was suspended from the hockey field when he was sent off the field by the referee in the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament.

County Cricket

LONDON, Aug. 17. (Reuter): The following are the results of county cricket matches concluded today.

At Chelmsford: Somerset beat Essex by six wickets. Essex 177 and 282. Somerset 286 and 174 for 4

At Cardiff: Glamorgan vs. Northamptonshire; match abandoned owing to rain. Northamptonshire 189 and 164 for 4. Glamorgan 230.

At Nottingham: Nottinghamshire vs. Lancashire, match abandoned owing to rain. Nottinghamshire 75 for 1, Lancashire 342 for 7 declared.

At Bradford: Yorkshire beat Worcestershire by 58 runs. Yorkshire 290 and 100. Worcestershire 152 and 180

At Birmingham: Warwickshire vs. Hampshire match was abandoned due to rain. Warwickshire 235 and 62 for 2

At Dover: Middlesex beat Kent by 6 wickets. Kent 401 for 9 declared, and 203 for six declared (Ames 104, Gray 4 for 46.) Middlesex 403 for 7 declared, and 203 for 4 (Robertson 67, Robins 74).

At Cheltenham: Gloucestershire vs. Surrey, match drawn. Surrey 260 and 175. Gloucestershire 145 and 124 for 2 Hamshire 218.

AUSTRALIAN COOK MAY RIDE FOR BUCKLEY STABLES

SYDNEY, (Reuter).

Leading Sydney Jockey W. "Billy" Cook has received several cables from the Buckley stable in Bombay offering him a four-figure sum for four month's riding there.

It is understood to be the highest retainer offered an Australian rider. Cook said he and his wife were seriously considering the offer, but the big drawback was taking their four children with them.

Cook rode in India for three seasons between 1932 and 1938 and several leading stables retained his services.

"The offer is tempting because, apart from the retainer, there is a possibility of big money in percentages when riding for a successful stable," Said Cook, adding that the Buckley stable was the most prominent in Bombay and trained for Bombay's biggest owners.

Walcott To Meet Gus Lesnevich

NEW YORK, August 16. (Reuter): Jersey Joe Walcott and Gus Lesnevich former world light-heavy-weight champion have signed to meet in a 15 round bout at Jersey City, New Jersey on September 21, according to an announcement by the promoter Andy Nineberaeitea.

NAGPUR, Aug. 17 (API): Mr R. S. Ruiker, President of the C. P. and Berar Textile Workers' Federation, left for Bombay this afternoon to attend the meeting of the General Council of the All-India Trade Union Congress starting tomorrow.

Gandhi Memorial And Local Bodies

The Government of Bombay has, in a circular issued to the local bodies, explained the legal position regarding the contribution to the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund by the local bodies.

Some local bodies propose to erect statues of Mahatma Gandhi and of other national leaders. The correct legal position as to whether a local body can spend money on such items is being examined. In the meanwhile, the Government desires to impress upon local bodies that it is not in favour of statues being erected by them

As regards contribution by the employees of local bodies to the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund, the Collectors have been requested to invite the attention of all local bodies to the orders issued by the Government in July last, in the matter of contribution by Government servants to the Fund. The local bodies have recommended to issue similar orders.

City Celebrates Indonesian Independence

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

If India aspired to become the leader of Asiatic countries, then she should unflinchingly help the Asiatic nations financially, morally and physically in their struggle for freedom observed Mr. N. M. Joshi, presiding over a public meeting held this evening at the Blavatsky Lodge to observe the Indonesian Independence Day.

Mr. Joshi added that the Indonesians should continue their struggle till the land was rid of the last Dutchman and in this fight he promised the full support of the Indian working class.

Mr. A. P. Sabavala, former Mayor of Bombay, who was the other main speaker on the occasion, said that Indonesia could learn much from India in her struggle for liberation. As in India every Indonesian should be instilled with the love of freedom which should be sustained with a fighting spirit until the country was free from foreign yoke.

Mr. Sabavala, while wishing them increasing strength in their fight for liberation promised, if need be, their helping hand to win over freedom.

He deprecated the disruptive tendencies manifested in the campaign for further splitting up the country in linguistic basis as also the criticism, both in season and out of season, of the present government.

CROWDS STOP PLAY

Unruly Behaviour Mars Semi-Final

CALCUTTA, Aug. 17 (A.P.I.): Bhowanipore entered the final of the I.F.A.-Shield Tournament for the first time in their career today by defeating East Bengal by one goal to nil, scored late in the second half of extra time in their replayed semi-final. They will meet in the final the winners of the Mohun Bagan versus Rajasthan match

The game was marred by a number of incidents, and the police had to resort to the use of tear gas a few minutes after the final whistle, in order to clear crowds which had rushed into the arena, threatening danger. One arrest kas made and three persons, including two members of the police force were injured and had to be removed to hospital.

Some minutes before the end of play a section of the crowd in front of the East Bengal enclosure snatched the ball from the hands of a player in the act of attempting a thow-in and passed it from hand to hand out of the playing arena. Another ball was requisitioned and it was also snatched away by this section of the crowd. The mounted police now entered the arena, cleared out the disturbers and stood before the East Bengal Club white stands to guard against further disturbances.

The referee who, with the contesting players, had been waiting for an opportunity to resume the game, blew the final whistle just when a third ball had been brought and thrown-in. Darkness had by this time come over the ground.

Many spectators immediately rushed into the playing arena from all sides. The police, although they were present in large numbers, were unable to clear them out and had to fire a dozen tear gas bombs. The crowd then dispersed.

Teams:

EAST BENGAL: P. Mustafi; R. Mozumdar and P. Chakravarty; D. Chandra, Aziz and K. Mitter; Venkatesh, Appa Rao, Pugsley, Sunil Ghose and Saleh.

BHOWANIPORE: Ismail, P. Barooh and Latif; N. Barooah, Amin and D. Guha; Tamque, N. Roy, R. Sinha N. Bose and S. Das

Babe Ruth Dead

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (Reuter): George Herman (Babe) Ruth, former American baseball champion, died in hospital here to-night.

Ruth, who was 53, underwent a serious neck operation here 18 months ago, stated to be "for the relief of intractable pain," when he left hospital he had lost thirty-six pounds in weight.

Christened George Herman Gerhardt, Ruth, was baseball's most magnificent slugger. Fans affectionately dubbed him "The Sultan of Swat" and "The Home Run King."

Plan To Check Smuggling Of Foodgrains

With a view to checking the illicit export of foodgrains from the Province an Order banning the movement of the main cereal foodgrains and gram, in excess of 20 lbs., within a belt of 10 miles inside the portions of the boundaries of the districts of Ahmednagar, East Khandesh, Nasik, Sholapur, Belgaum, Bijapur, Dharwar, Kanara and Ratnagiri and the States of Akkalkot, Miraj (Senior) and Savantwadi, which adjoin the Provinces of Central Provinces and Berar and Madras, the States of Hyderabad and Mysore and the Portuguese territory around Goa.

The order at the same time reduces the limit of the stocks of cereal foodgrains for which a licence is required under the Bombay Foodgrains Control Order, 1947, and the Indian States Foodgrains Control Order, 1948, from 20 Mds. to 5 Mds. and also reduces from 50 Mds. to 10 Mds. the limit of possession of stocks which may be presumed to be held for sale.

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The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

Strong West Indies Side Selected For India

(By J. C. MAITRA)

All doubts about the visit of the West Indies cricket team next cold weather have now been set at rest by the final selection of their side. Fifteen players, under the Captaincy of John Goddard, will tour this country and Pakistan beginning from October.

Everybody is happy to hear that George Headly, reputed as the Don Bradman of West Indies, will accompany the team. Although far from his best, he may be depended upon to give a creditable account of himself just as the Great Don did in England recently.

The only disappointing omission is that of Frank Worrell. It is still hoped that the West Indies authorities will be persuaded to include him.

WORTHY OF INDIA'S STEEL.

It is a pretty strong combination and they will give our bowlers, fielders and batsmen plenty of cause to worry about. I am glad, to find that Vijay Merchant, India's Captain, is allright again. He is practising hard to give the tourists a good taste of his prowess. Let us hope that his ailment will not trouble him again to deprive India of his valuable services.

I trust all other players aspiring to play against the visitors are trying their utmost to get into their best form. The Zonal Quadrangular to be staged in Bombay in November next will show where they stand. I hope our cricket fans will rise to the occasion and extend to the tourists a hearty welcome. Then they will not be found wanting in the proper mood to exhibit their best. Empty stands do not create enthusiasm even among the players on the field.

ATTRACTIVE ENTRIES FOR ROVERS CUP

Preparations are now being made by the W.I.F.A. to make their premier tournament—Rovers Cup—a grand success. Last year it remained incomplete owing to the collapse of one of the temporary stands, which caused deep regret and keen disappointment to many a soul. Special care has been taken by the authorities to see that such a mishap does not occur again.

From what I hear we shall have some of the most prominent teams in the country participating in the competition this season. It is very likely Mohun Bagan, East Bengal and Mohammedan Sporting from Calcutta would join the list. Rajasthan Club of the same city, who defeated Bombay's team and the Calcutta League Champions in the IFA Shield recently are also anxious to compete in the Rovers.

Bangalore Muslims the first Indian team to win this coveted trophy, combined teams from Delhi, Kanpur, and Kamptee, and Chybassa who created an excellent impression last year, are among the entrants. So the tournament promises to be a very interesting one.

The Bombay Chronicle

Be noble and the nobleness that lies in other men, sleeping but never dead, will rise in majesty to meet your own.

MR. CHETTY'S RESIGNATION

The resignation of Mr. Shanmukham Chetty, India's Finance Minister, naturally recalls the resignation of Dr. Dalton, the British Chancellor of the Exchequer. Dr. Dalton, a few minutes before entering the Chamber of the House of Commons to deliver his budget speech this year, revealed some of the contents of that speech to a journalist friend. He did not expect that the latter would get the information published in his newspaper while he was delivering his own speech in the Commons. Without meaning or intending it the Chancellor of the Exchequer had, however, committed an indiscretion which was a violation of parliamentary proprieties and immediately his attention was drawn to it he resigned his office and the British Prime Minister promptly accepted his resignation. Thus was the tradition of the integrity of public office vindicated by the British democracy. In India we are just beginning to establish democracy. It is, therefore, all the more important that we set standards of public life that are as high as those of any other country, if not higher. The letter that Mr. Shanmukham Chetty wrote to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, India's Prime Minister, and the reply of the letter clearly reveal that the resignation of the Finance Minister was as necessary as its acceptance by the Prime Minister was inevitable.

The question of resignation arose out of the withdrawal by the Finance Ministry of certain groups of cases that had been referred to the Income-Tax Investigation Commission. Mr. Chetty in his letter to the Prime Minister says that, in view of the statutory time limit, a number of cases had to be referred to the Commission by the 31st of December 1947, without an examination by the Finance Ministry whether there was a 'prima facie' case in relation to each one of them. It was the intention of the Central Board of Revenue, Mr. Chetty adds, to examine the details and then withdraw such of the cases in which there was no 'prima facie' case, that it was as the result of such examination that these groups of cases were withdrawn and that, subsequently, with a view to conforming to the spirit of the Amending Act, the consent of the Commission had been sought for the withdrawal of these cases. The point at issue, however, was that the withdrawal was made in spite of the fact that the Amending Bill had been passed by Parliament which specifically laid down that no withdrawal should be made without the prior consent of the Commission and this was the point on which special emphasis was naturally laid in the meeting of Congress Assembly Party. Mr. Chetty's defence is that though the order of withdrawal was issued on March 12, 1948, the decision was taken on February 19, that is, prior to even the introduction of the Amending Bill in the legislature which took place only on March 1. In his statement in the Assembly Mr. Chetty stated that a very serious error had crept in in his letter regarding the dates and he gracefully accepted the fact that he had committed a grave mistake. While the Prime Minister has made it clear that he had never entertained any doubts about the "bona fides" of the Finance Minister—and the public will gladly endorse the Prime Minister's view of the matter—it is clear that a grave error was committed. The Prime Minister is in no doubt about the error. For he writes: "I feel sure myself that this was an error of judgment and you had not applied your mind to this matter. This error has naturally led many members to think that the ignoring of the Assembly in regard to this particular matter was a discourtesy. If this aspect had struck you, you would no doubt have informed the Assembly and referred the withdrawals to the Commission for their consent. It was unfortunate that you had not thought of this at the time and thus a certain degree of misapprehension has arisen."

So far as the public is concerned, the matter went beyond "discourtesy" to the legislature. For the last few years the overwhelming majority of the people have been suffering indescribable wrongs as a result of the profiteering and black market operations of the commercial community, including not a few who belong to the Big Business fraternity. To add insult to the injury many of these persons have been mulcting the tax-payer and the State by dodging the income-tax. Parliament and Government have set up the Income-Tax Investigation Commission to bring home their offence to them. We do not know which are the cases which were withdrawn by the Finance Minister, but it has been publicly alleged that some of the persons involved in them are among the leaders of Big Business of this country. If the "misapprehension" about the Finance Minstry's action to which Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru refers had continued to grow as it would have grown if the Finance Minister had not resigned or his resignation had not been accepted, a scandal of the gravest character affecting the reputation of the Government of India would have been created. As it has happened Mr. Shanmukham Chetty has more than made up for his error of judgment by resigning his high office. As Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru says in his letter to him: "I feel you have acted perfectly correctly. As you told me in the course of our talks that you feel yourself that this mistake should not have occurred and that it is essential for us to maintain the highest standards of public conduct in our work. I am sure that my colleagues in the Cabinet as well as the Members of the Assembly will appreciate the action you have taken". We share the Prime Minister's view that though out of office, Mr. Chetty will continue to apply his great abilities to the service of the nation. So far as the Prime Minister, the Congress Assembly Party and the Government of India are concerned, they have all enhanced their reputation by the manner in which they have vindicated the integrity of public office.

A Disgraceful Move

It is a matter for regret that the most recent and most deplorable example of Muslim-baiting should emanate from a local newspaper, the "Navabharat". The Editor of this Marathi daily has circularised "to every Muslim in Bombay" a letter which stands out as a masterpiece of impertinence. The circular professes a desire to free the country from communal hatred and calls on the Muslims to declare their loyalty to the Union. It gratuitously tells the Muslims that in the Indian Union they have "no leader" and that they are drifting. "Do you realise that you are drifting to your doom?" It is impertinence to suggest that the Muslim Indian is without leaders. Why should he be asked to repudiate in advance Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and Dr. Rajendra Prasad? It is arrogance to assume that he does not understand the obligations of citizenship as well as other Indians do. It is blind prejudice to insinuate that he is not fired by the same spark of patriotism as other Indians claim to be.

The circular observes that Kashmir and Hyderabad have added fuel to communal hostility and warns that if things continue like this, "the safety of the Muslim and of his community will be imperilled in spite of the sincere attempts of the Nehru Government at Delhi and the Kher Government in Bombay". And it adds, "You are on trial....You are on the brink of a precipice...." Finally, it insinuates that Muslims have not clearly indicated that they are Indians, that neither Razvi nor the Pakistan leaders can count on them, and that they are prepared to fight against them as they would against any other enemy of the country. With sympathy for them in their plight, the Editor of "Navabharat" offers his services—he signs himself "yours in service"—and calls on them to answer four questions, questioning their honest citizenship, their condemnation of Razvi and the Razakars, their willingness to fight against Hyderabad and Pakistan, and their eagerness to help the Government actively in fighting communal hatred.

Such a questionnaire, addressed with such a preface, by an Indian to other Indians is an impertinence, which cannot go unchallenged. When it is addressed by an Indian of one community to Indians of another, it is a blatant piece of communal-mongering which should not be tolerated for a single day. Any Indian who fears that his country cannot count on the loyalty of a section of his fellow-countrymen, concedes that his country is in the wrong. Any man who feels that loyalty can be secured by advance assurances and promises wrung out by threats, is a fool. Anyone who goads a particular community by his nagging, is himself an arrant communalist masquerading under the guise of a patriot.

It is essential that every Indian—and the responsibility lies heaviest with the Hindus as the bulk of the population—discard the least shadow of communal thinking and stand forward in the full magnitude of an Indian national. If by our stupidity and narrowness of outlook, we provoke our countrymen to impotent rage or create among section after section of our people an attitude of fear and sullen submission, India will sink into the lowest abominations of distrust and mistrust.

Mysore Newsletter

MOVE TO ABOLISH OFFICE OF DIWAN

(From Our Correspondent)

BANGALORE (By Mail).

Much to the satisfaction of all concerned the differences within the Mysore State Congress, which had resulted in the tendering of resignation by its General Secretary, have been settled within the ranks and the General Secretary has withdrawn his resignation after the announcement from the President that the Working Committee and himself have come to a settlement.

The All-Mysore Congress Committee, summoned by the President as an emergency measure to consider the situation arising out of the resignation, met here in secret session. The President explained the reasons which prompted him to summon the emergency meeting of the A.M.C.C.

Mr. T. Subrahmanya, a member of the Working Committee and President of the Mysore Constituent Assembly, moved a resolution on behalf of the working committee to which the President, Mr. T. Siddalingaiah, said, he had given his fullest approval. He assured the house that all the members of the Working Committee had pledged themselves to work together and carry into effect the ideas contained in the resolution.

The resolution, inter alia, stated: "The A.M.C.C. is of opinion that such vital matters as Public Services, removal of corruption, communalism in politics, problems connected with agriculture, industries and labour, reorientation of educational policy and system, and efficiency and economy in Administration require great attention, and resolves that the Working Committee should take necessary steps to formulate definite policies for the consideration of the Government.

"The A.M.C.C. takes notice of the further deterioration of the Hyderabad situation and the consequent repercussions and developments in the State, and urges the Working Committee to organise the people of Mysore to meet any contingency that may arise, and calls upon the Government to take the necessary measures, however stringent, to maintain peace and security in the State.

"The A.M.C.C. having learnt of the efforts of the Working Committee for the abolition of the office of Dewan, urges that the Working Committee should take the necessary steps for its abolition early."

"The President announced that a non-official resolution envisaging the merger of the Mysore Congress with the All-India Congress as a separate provincial unit would be taken up for consideration at the next session of the A.M.C.C.

THE ECONOMICS OF HORSE BREEDING

Bombay's Progress In War Years

GOVERNMENT RACING POLICY ANALYSED

(BY "CENTAUR")

So far as can be gathered from pronouncements of authentic Government sources it would appear to be that Government has no intention whatsoever of stopping horse racing as such in Western India but "after 1952 a Licence to Race 'may' not be granted.'

INDIAN BREED

The abolition of horse racing was certainly not one of the planks in the previously announced policy of the Congress. This is obvious from the very fact that under the Congress Government, when it first came into power, the emphasis was on Indianisation in racing and the policy then was to harness racing in such a manner as to increase the economic wealth of the country by encouraging the Indian breed of horses.

This policy at first initiated and started by the Congress Government has borne rich fruit and its results are apparent by a considerable amount of the wealth of the country remaining in the country itself and not being frittered away in foreign countries in the purchase of expensive horseflesh which could be of little use to the Country from the breeding point of view.

LESSER EVIL

Anthentic figures from the records of the Royal Western India Turf Club have shown that the average number of persons attending the races on the Bombay and Poona Race Courses during a Season does not come to more than 20,000 on any single race day. What is the proportion of this total number interested in racing to the aggregate population of the Province of Bombay, which must be numbering about two crores?

Is horse-racing so great an evil as to attract the attention of Government to the extent of eradicating it completely considering that the percentage of the total population of the Province which indulges in this so-called evil is only .10%? Not even the worst critics of horse racing will or can justly say that all those who attend the races gamble beyond their means or have been ruined by it. Let Government enter upon a comparative enquiry as to how many people have been ruined by rash speculation on the Stock and Cotton Exchange in the Bullion Market and by gambling in Sutta figures which goes on every day.

No man with speculative instinct who is bent upon ruining himself can be prevented from doing so by any Government no matter how benign it may be or for that matter by any power on earth. It needs no telling that it is not the province of Government to save from himself the reckless gambler or speculator actuated by a make or break spirit.

STEWARDS ROLE

The control of horse racing in Western India today is in the hands of Stewards who are men of the highest integrity, well placed in life whose sole end and aim is to see that horse racing in Western India is carried out on the highest lines. Any 'real' fault or malpractice noticed in racing is immediately enquired into and, if proved to the reasonable satisfaction of the Stewards, is most severely and adequately dealt with by them.

Every reasonable care, opportunity and precaution is taken by the Stewards to see that racing in Western India is carried on along the highest and fairest lines, and no reasonable suggestion to further that end, no matter from what source it comes, is ever ignored by them.

MORE JOBS

Racing in Western India today gives employment to over 2000 persons actually working whole or part time under the Royal Western India Turf Club, Ltd. Besides that nearly about 10,000 to 15,000 others such as trainers, syces, jockeys, riding-boys, farriers, jemadars and others depend for their livelihood on this sport.

QUESTION OF FINANCE

Racing brings in regularly and without the least difficulty a steady income of more than a crore of rupees. The people who contribute to it do so willingly and without the slightest demur. If racing is done away with, an alternate source of revenue to replace the loss from this source would have to be found. Money does not grow on trees and the already heavily burdened subjects would have to be taxed to make up this loss in revenue.

With the abolition of horse racing for Arabs and the restrictions on racing for other imported breeds, the Indian horse breeding industry has received an impetus and a fillip such as it had never before known in the previous history of the country. Let it be said to the credit of the Congress Party that this change was brought about during the time when this Party was previously in power. Not only that but by encouraging the training of Indian youth and providing races to be ridden exclusively by them a class of persons has been provided with a means of livelihood which for people of their otherwise limited ability they would never have found in any other walk of life in this Country.

1948, NOT 1952

The point for immediate consideration by the Bombay Government, however, stands on a somewhat different footing. Whilst Government have announced their decision that racing will be allowed to continue in Western India till 1952 and, therefore, there is no immediate apprehension on the part of those connected with racing by reason of their own insufficient knowledge of racing matters Government have unfortunately omitted to consider and appreciate that the material date for the announcement of their policy, so far at least as the breeders are concerned, is 1948. If racing may be discontinued after 1952, which or the appreciable number of breeders in Western India is going to cover his mares this year? The foal of a mare covered in 1948 will be born in 1949 and not be ready to race till January 1952 and, if racing is to be discontinued at the end of March 1952, a foal got in 1948 and born in 1949 will have only 3 or 4 months of racing life as against a normal 4 or 5 years of useful racing life. If this is the question for consideration by breeders for 1948, what is it going to be like for them in 1949? The price which a young horse is likely to fetch as a race horse with the possibility of winning the valuable prizes today offered by the R.W.I.T.C. Ltd., and other Clubs is considerably more than the intrinsic value of a horse otherwise. As a result of Government's indefinite policy, several well-known Indian breeders are disposing of or exporting back to England their valuable blood-stock at great sacrifice. Due to war conditions prevalent in England and France in 1939 and thereafter several of our Indian breeders were able to acquire valuable horseflesh of good bloodstock which, imported into this country, has materially improved our breed of horses and but for war conditions could never have come to our hands. The horsebreeding industry is normally of slow growth. It has taken England and France over a 100 years to attain their present position in this respect. By a fortuitous circumstance our country obtained and seized a never-to-be repeated chance in this direction. Our country has made tremendous strides to rapid improvement in this direction. During the past few years the Indian horse has made such rapid strides to improvement and attained a standard when the best of them can compete with a reasonable chance of success against good horses in any other part of the world. There is a possibility almost amounting to a certainty, of the Indian horse breeding industry, in a few year's time (provided the same rate of improvement is maintained) becoming a valuable export industry, and a tremendous asset to the economy of the country. Countries like Ceylon and in the Middle East — Egypt, Palestine — Singapore and Malaya where racing is carried on today and gathering strength and popularity are importing the Arab horses in numbers at good prices. Even our moderate horses are much better than the class of horses today racing in these countries. By close co-operation with the Racing Clubs in these countries the principal Racing Clubs in our country could do a lot for our horses by getting races framed for them. With races framed for our breed of horses they could then be imported in large numbers and at good prices into these countries bringing much needed wealth into ours. This is not a vain or idle dream because most of those Clubs work in close collaboration and co-operation with our principal Racing Clubs.

STOP PANIC

To prevent further panicky sales or re-export of valuable blood-stock by our breeders, it would be prudent on the part of our Government to make an immediate announcement that for another 10 or 12 years, at least — if our Government do not wish to commit themselves to a further long term policy — except for adequate safeguards in the interest of the public, the breeding industry, and cleaner racing, racing will be allowed to continue otherwise unhindered. Government would also be well advised to guard against too heavy a taxation on betting on racing which would bring in its wake into immediate operation the inexorable economic law of dimming returns. Is it not wiser for Government all things considered to utilise the substantial revenue received from this sport towards the economic welfare of its subjects?

If the Indian Breeders today decide to stop breeding and Government should eventually come to the conclusion that racing is not such an evil as it has been made out to be and that racing should be allowed to continue, where are the horses to come from? Will we again have to go back as in the past to import horses from foreign countries to enable racing to go on?

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Russia & I. L. O.

At the meeting of the Social and Economic Council of the United Nations the Russian delegation denounced the International Labour Organisation as being out of harmony with the United Nations and not in accordance with the principles of democracy. The accusation was based on the fact that the predominant influence on the activity of the I.L.O. is exerted by the employers and Governments since in the Governing Body and the Conferences of the I.L.O. there are three delegates of the employers and Governments for one delegate of the trade union and the Russian delegation suggested that representation of the workers should be extended upto half the composition of the Conference and the Governing Body. The charge is hardly fair and in accordance with the functions and purposes of the I.L.O. As matters are at present the employers and the employees get equal representation while the Governments get a larger representation. This is necessary because it is the Governments of the countries represented at the Conference which have to ratify the Conventions and implement the resolutions approved by the Conference. There would be no reality attached to these conventions and resolutions if the Russian proposal is accepted and if the representatives of the Governments do not play effective part in formulating and giving shape to them. It is true there are a number of Governments which are more capitalist-minded than otherwise but equally it is true that in an increasing number of countries the Governments are either Labour party governments or are largely influenced by organisations of workers and peasants.

India And Democracy

Mr. Noel-Baker's tribute to India on behalf of the British Government and the hopes he expressed in it when he addressed an Independence Day gathering in London, were an expression of genuine feeling and not of condescending courtesy. India's independence has changed not only the old relationship between this country and Britain but also feelings and ideas about India. This is true not only of the British but also the rest of the world. In India the world has suddenly discovered a great country with potentialities that are vast in the fields both of material resources and also of international politics and peace. So statesmen of the world look to India as the future leader of Asia by right of its position and material greatness. But they also have hopes of correct and useful leadership by India by right of the principles which are associated with the name of Mahatma Gandhi.

Much-Needed Lead

Mr. Noel-Baker referred to them when he said that "the philosophy of the movement which brought you freedom is that tolerance and understanding are the foundation of democracy". This is at once a recognition of Gandhiji's work and principles and an appeal to India to give the world a much-needed lead, the lead for which India has proved itself uniquely fit. The tolerance and understanding which Gandhiji taught India to practise as a code of human and political conduct can render vital service to the cause of democracy and international peace and brotherhood if India honours them by faithful observance.

Inter-Parliamentary Group

Now that India is free she must take her proper place in the democratic organs of free countries of the world. One such organ is the Inter-Parliamentary Union which came into existence six years ago for the purpose of promoting international peace. But it is a body without any executive functions relying as it does on its moral sanction. This moral sanction it seeks to develop by promoting intercourse between parliamentarians all the world over without committing any Government or anybody. As parliamentarians make or unmake Governments, the deliberations of such a body cannot but have great influence on the policies of these Governments. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru moved a resolution in the Indian parliament on Monday authorising the speaker to take steps to form an Indian Parliamentary group of the International Parliamentary Union in conformity with the latter's aims and objects. In moving this resolution Pandit Jawaharlal said that it was important in the world today that people should know each other and that legislation of various parliaments should benefit by each other's experience. The Indian Parliament has done well in accepting the resolution.

A Step Forward

The Government of India have suggested to provincial governments the lines along which the Constituent Assembly's resolution on communal organisations taking on political work is to be complemented. A complete ignoring of such organisations, from refusal to receive deputations to non-grant of subsidies and grants, has been recommended. This is a very sound measure and it will be a great step in fighting communalism. The Government, it is reported, have found it difficult to indicate what exactly would be political activities which would be justifiable, and an instance is given of members of a community suffering from a common disability and banding together to fight that disability. The instance is not a matter of great complexity because there is no communal intent behind such common action. The greater difficulty would be in demarking the line at which human activities cease being political and become social, economic and educational. Since it is difficult to compartmentalise men's interests and actions, it will be found that there is a great deal of merging and mingling. And without a certain degree of injustice it will be impossible to draw the line between the permissible and the pernicious. That, however, is no excuse for doing nothing, which will lead to the greatest injustice of all. The Government of India have done well in cutting at the root of communal organisations indulging in politics — recognition by governments. Once this is withheld, political communal bodies will wither away by themselves.

General Mohan Singh's Army

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in his answer in the Central Assembly has cleared the air of some suspicions that had grown out of the East Punjab Government's communique on General Mohan Singh's plans to raise a national militia. The Government of India, said Pandit Jawaharlal, were interested in getting General Mohan Singh's private army dissolved or merged in a National Volunteers Corps. The East Punjab Government had assured Delhi that there was no question of offering General Mohan Singh some three districts. It was a scheme for absorbing the Desh Sevak Sena of the General and bringing it under Government control. The East Punjab Government had not consulted the Union Government but it had been informed, as were other provincial governments, of the Centre's disapproval of private armies. It is fortunate, however, that differences between the East Punjab authorities and General Mohan Singh helped that Government out of the difficulties it had itself created.

TETE A TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

ANKARA, August 16 (UPA): United States Air Force Chief General Hoyt Vandenberg and Secretary for Air Stuart Symington arrived here today to inspect Turkish Air Force installations.

The two officials were scheduled to call on President Ismet Ineunu later today.

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A number of experts, it is reported, have been invited by the Central Government for urgent consultations on the present economic situation in the country.

It is to be earnestly hoped that, inspite of his present preoccupations, the Prime Minister himself keeps the ring.

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Apropos of the present Baroda controversy, authoritative circles, the A.P.I. tells us, state that while it is true that the Gaekwar has borrowed three and a half crores of rupees from the State Treasury it is a "bona fide" and sound transaction etc.

But in heaven's name what should the Gaekwar want such a large—but sorry, very sorry, we had completely forgotten.

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The Maharaja of Bhavnagar, Governor-designate of Madras, is reported to have told journalists at Rajkot that "It was very kind of our Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and the Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel to have chosen me for this high post."

It was.

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The Gwalior Maharaja, after a recent visit to some Indian Army units: "I had the privilege of visiting Indian troops on various battle-fronts during the last war, but there never was such patriotic fervour as one finds in the 'jawans' today".

The compliment we are quite sure, will be sincerely reciprocated.

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Digressing in a parliamentary debate to an elucidation of democracy, Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar recalled how the British had thrown the hero of the war—Mr. Churchill—overboard, immediately the war was over, and said India ought to learn a lesson from the British democracy.

We are gravely perturbed. We do earnestly and humbly hope that he doesn't propose to have India replace Nehru with Mr. Ayyangar.

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According to experts, the A.P.I. correspondent states, Pakistan's war resources being limited, the prodigal use of arms and ammunition by the Pakistan Army in Kashmir cannot be accounted for unless these vital war materials are flowing into Pakistan from elsewhere.

This is doubly nonsensical, internationally and nationally. The experts just don't know anything about the infinite capacity of the Pakistan of Abdul Qaiyum's (etc.) to work miracles.

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Dr. Malan has declared that "the white people of South Africa did not desire to give political representation to Indians".

And if the real people of South Africa do not desire to give their country to Dr. Malan and the "White people" it should be summarily dismissed as a scandalous irrelevance.

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Field Marshal Smuts urged the continuation of the policy of large scale European immigration in an attempt to 'secure our future and press forward".

Towards the noble goal of exterminating the inhabitants of South Africa completely.

Says a London message: "the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and representatives of the Services tonight attended a hurriedly-called meeting of Cabinet Ministers, believed to have been mainly concerned with home economic affairs".

Which were discussed at the Kremlin at the fifth meeting?

By the way, this spell of monsoon has now become too much. The humidity has begun to affect visibility in strange ways.

For instance, there was a headline "Allied Diplomats Meet Molotov" and we nearly read it as "Alleged etc., etc."

OPEN AIR

Moths and butterflies are generally accepted as being silent, at least as far as human perceptions are concerned. One moth, however, differs from all the other species in this respect. This is the Death's Head Moth, a beautiful insect with heavy striped velvety body and brownish fore-wings covering underwings of yellow and black. The mark of the skull and crossbones on the back not only gives the moth its name but makes it unmistakable. A few evenings ago a Death's Head Moth flew in and landed near my reading lamp. When I tried to catch it to send it back to the garden it squeaked so shrilly that I dropped it in surprise. Half stunned, it ran round in circles, still squeaking persistently, and then flew up again to the light. It is not only the adult moth which squeaks in his alarming way, for even its green caterpillar uses the same means of protecting itself against its enemies, and I can imagine that a bird, attempting to make a meal of the caterpillar, would find it an alarming experience.

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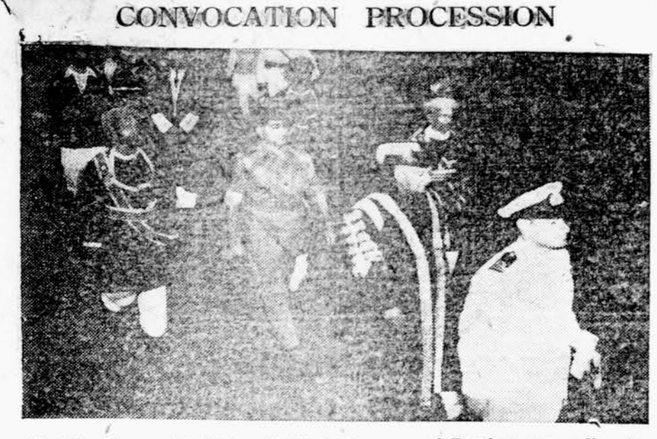
CONVOCATION PROCESSION



His Excellency, Sir Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay, proceeding to the Convocation Hall.

'DO CONSTRUCTIVE WORK TO MAINTAIN FREEDOM'

Governor's Appeal To New Graduates

IMPORTANCE OF ENGLISH AS MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION STRESSED

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay, delivering the convocation address of the Bombay University, today, appealed to "the younger generation" to devote themselves to "hard, ceaseless and constructive work" for the country and thereby maintain the newly-won freedom.

Need For Social Service

He particularly stressed the need for social service among the poor and hoped that a large number of the new graduates would interest themselves in such work.

Sir Maharaj Singh referred to the question of changing the medium of instruction and pointing out that English was becoming more and more an international language, expressed the hope that "the University of Bombay, situated in the most cosmopolitan city in India will maintain its broad outlook."

The Governor, at the outset, made a reference to the tragic death of Mahatma Gandhi and observed that his example should serve as an incentive to all in whatever sphere of life they were placed for further service to the country.

He also referred to the death of Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, who was Vice-Chancellor of the University for six successive years.

The entire audience stood for two minutes in respect to the memory of Mahatma Gandhi and Sir Chimanlal Setalvad.

ADDRESS

Observing that it was his duty and privilege to deliver his first convocation address as Chancellor of the University ,Sir Maharaj Singh said:

"The University of Bombay is now over 80 years old. It is a time-honoured institution of impressive historical memories and has over a long span of years kept alight and spread the torch of learning in our province. It collaborates today with 75 affiliated colleges as against four in 1860. In 1862 there were only four successful candidates who graduated. This year the total number of men and women receiving degrees is 2,935. The University has proved worthy of a progressive Province and a great city. It has enjoyed jurisdiction over the whole province and till recently also over Sind. From its affiliated colleges in Greater Bombay, Gujerat, Maharashtra and the Karnatak have come out thousands of graduates not a few of whom have distinguished themselves in various spheres of life.

NEW UNIVERSITIES

"Changes in the jurisdiction of the University of Bombay, as you are aware, are inevitable in the near future. The Poona University Act has created a new University for Maharashtra. New Universities in the Karnatak and Gujarat will follow in a few years. In fact the jurisdiction of our University will then be confined to what may be called "Greater Bombay'. The University will remain their parent and example and will, I think, in some respects gain in strength inasmuch as it will become more and more a teaching University with an increasing number of post-graduate departments and greater concentration on research.'

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

"It is reasonably certain that before very long in most of our Indian Universities English will cease to be the medium of instruction and examination. The change is inevitable and indeed desirable, for we cannot continue for all time to receive our education in a foreign language. It is also to a large extent consequential on the elimination of English as a medium of instruction in secondary schools. It is possible, however that the reconstituted University of Bombay situated in the most cosmopolitan city in India may decide to continue to examine in English. My experience in the United Nations Assembly convinces that English is becoming more and more an international language. Excluding the South American Republics, most of whom are very small, who use Spanish, the great majority of nations employ English as the medium of communication in the Assembly. This, however is a matter which may safely be left to be decided in due course by the University of Bombay and by public opinion. In any case I trust that the University of Bombay will maintain its broad outlook. When, as is possible and indeed probable, our country is divided into a larger number of provinces than exist at present, there wil be greater need for unifying forces of a cultural character. A cosmopolitan university, affording facilities to all irrespective of creed and class and opening its doors to teachers and students from all parts of India and even outside India, will, I consider, be a very valuable institution. Whatever happens, no divisions, be they of language, region or creed, must divide us. We are and must remain Indians first and Indians last. Otherwise I foresee disaster.

RESEARCH

"I hope also that there will be increasing devotion to research. Much of our research in the past in Indian languages, history, philosophy and architecture has been undertaken by Europeaa scholars. It is for Indian Universities to rectify the omissions of the past. There are further fields, for example in industrial, agricultural and medical research, which are open to genuine workers.

NATIONAL CADET CORPS

Referring to the National Cadet Corps, which is replacing the present University Officers' Training Corps, Sir Maharaj Singh said, "At no time are the qualities of courage, leadership and endurance more necessary than at the present when our country is being faced with special difficulties in more than one area."

He congratulated the recipients of degrees and awards.

He particularly congratulated the women students who have won more than a proportionate share of the honours in the examinations.

Concluding he said: "Two days ago we celebrated Independence Day. That was a day of rejoicing. After centuries we are a free country and we can now raise our heads and claim an equal place among the independent nations of the world. But our freedom has to be maintained and that can only be by hard, ceaseless and constructive work by all of us and especially by the younger generation from whom in time will come the leaders of our nation. Above all we in India need the great benefits of unity. Disunion in the past has done great harm to our country. There will always be and with advantage different schools of political thought. But this should not prevent us from working unitedly in all matters of essential interest to the nation."

Degrees were conferred on 2,935 students today, of whom 603 were women. About 2,200 students took their degrees 'in absentia.'

Mahamahopadhyaya P. V. Kane, Vice Chancellor of the University presided.

Before the convocation, the Governor, inspected a guard of honour presented by the U.O.T.C. at the University Gardens.

MADRAS, Aug. 17 (API): Mr E. A. Watson of a local European firm was today elected to the Madras Legislative Assembly in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. A. E. Thompson (European Commerce Constituency).

WOMEN GRADUATES

Women graduates, who attended the Convocation, forming part of the procession, proceeding to the Convocation Hall.

Soviet Demands Share In Ruhr Control

CONDITION FOR FOUR-POWER RULE OVER BERLIN

Moscow Talks Hopes In Paris: U. S. Minister's Pessimism

LONDON, August 17 (Reuter): Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov is expected to receive the three Western Envoys for a seventh conference within the next few days, possibly on Thursday, it was learned in Moscow today, while wellinformed London circles said the Envoys would probably see Marshal Stalin very soon.

COMMANDANTS CONFE

In Berlin, the British, American, and French Sector Commanders were meeting today after the return of Colonel Frank Howley, the United States Commadant, from London, the German News Agency DPD reported.

General Sir Brian Robertson, British Military Governor in Germany, was also returning to Berlin this afternoon from Frankfurt, where he has been meeting the American and French Military Governors and German Bizone Officials.

HOPES IN PARIS

A fullscale report on last night's record three-and-a-half-hour Kremlin meeting between the Western Envoys and M. Molotov was being prepared at the British Embassy in Moscow today.

While the French Foreign Office was still awaiting the report, usually well-informed circles in Paris said they believed the talks would bring concrete results.

In London, a Foreign Office spokesman said yesterday's talks with M. Molotov were not likely to be the last and declared that no plans had been made for Mr. Frank Roberts, British Foreign-Secretary Ernest Bevin's personal Envoy in Moscow, to return home.

PESSIMISTIC OUTLOOK

Mr. W. Stuart Symington, United States Air Minister, said in Istanbul today that there seemed little hope of any immediate improvement towards a settlement of the Berlin problem and it might become necessary to increase the number of planes on the air lift.

First train to cross the East-West zonal border since the night of June 23-24 when the Berlin blockade started, left Munsterlager today carrying 60 former German prisoners of war from Britain.

They had been waiting there for several weeks while British and Soviet authorities made arrangements for their return to Berlin, the German News Agency DPD said.

The American licensed "Tagesspiegel" reported today that officials of the communist dominated Socialist Unity Party held a secret conference in Berlin yesterday at which they were told Russia had demanded a share in the control of the Ruhr as a condition for the resumption of four-Power Government in the Capital.

BRITISH PROTEST

A Royal Air Force Jet Vampire which yesterday made a forced landing near Cadebusch, northwest of Schwerin in the Soviet Zone, was only slightly damaged and the pilot unhurt, it was officially stated in Berlin today. The pilot was still held by the Russians and negotiations for his release and the return of the plane were continuing.

British authorities in Berlin were today awaiting a reply from the Russians to their protest last night against the "buzzing" by two Soviet Yak fighters on a British European Airways Passenger Viking in the Berlin-Hamburg air corridor.

CIGARETTES AND SHOES

More than eleven million cigarettes from surplus American Army Stores were brought to Berlin over the week-end by Sunderland flying boats for distribution on the rations in the Western Sectors, a British spokesman announced today.

Seventeen thousand pairs of shoes for Western Berliners were also flown into the city over the week-end, it was added.

Surprise For War Office

Leakage Of Top Military Secret: "Guards Brigade For Malaya"

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter): The British Cabinet concerned at the leakage of top secret military information are to investigate how the news got out yesterday that troops of the Guards Brigade are being prepared for sailing to Malaya, it was learned authoritatively today.

The news first published in a London morning newspaper yesterday causing the War Office to be bombarded with enquiries. The war office indicated that a statement would be issued but this was repeatedly postponed until a spokesman late last night finally stated "all troop movements are secret.'

Inquiries at the Guards bar? racks were referred back to the War Office.

WAR OFFICE RETICENT

Today the War Office was still reticent and spokesmen would not comment beyond saying a statement would possibly be issued later.

It had been known in well-informed quarters here for some time that the Guards, the British army's most meticulously trained fighting men were being sent to South East Asia as a show of strength against terrorists. The Government however was anxious for important security reasons that this should not be generally known.

Political circles believe the leakage may have been discussed at last night's suddenly called meeting of Ministers attended by Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech-Jones and Service Chiefs.

Hungarian Legation Denies Rumour

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter): A Hungarian legation spokesman today denied that any pressure had been used to bring about the return to Hungary of Dezso Gyarmathy, one of the three Hungarian Olympic swimmers who last week obtained permission from the British home office to stop in Britain as political refugee.

Gyarmathy was stated by the Hungarian Olympic Committee to have left for Budapest with other members of the Olympic team last Sunday.

The legation spokesman today said "he told officials he wanted to return home and left London for Hungary at the week end.

"The question of whether swimmers stayed in Britain was not a political one but a matter of taking up professional status as against remaining amateur. Such a decision was purely a matter for the individual."

RAILWAY RATES TRIBUNAL TO BE SET UP

Plan To Expedite Payment Of Compensation To Those Injured In Train Accidents

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17, (API): The Indian Parliament today referred the Central Silk Board Bill to a Select Committee and passed the Bombay Calcutta and Madras Port Trusts (constitution) (amendment) Bill. Discussion on the Indian Railways (second) (amendment) bill had not concluded, when the house adjourned till tomorrow.

Detailed Proceedings

The Indian Parliament today referred to a Select Committee Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee's Bill to provide for the development of the raw silk industry under central control and for that purpose to establish a Central Silk Board.

It was also proposed to expand the industry's present capacity of about two million pounds a year to four million pounds a year. The Bill also provided for the imposition of a raw silk cess. Government hoped to realise about Rs. 20 to 25 lakhs of rupees by the sale of Japanese silk which they held and this amount would be made available to the board to be expended for the development of the industry.

MINISTER'S ASSURANCE

After opposition to the levy of the cess was voiced by some members, The Industry and Supply Minister, Dr. Shymaprasad Mukerjee assured the House that, in the matter of levy of the cess and the representation on the Board, he would be guided by the advice of the Select Committee.

The House agreed to the motion.

Dr. John Matthai, Transport Minister, next moved a bill to amend the constitutions of the Port Trusts of the major ports of Bombay, Calcutta and Madras. The primary purpose of the Bill, Dr. Matthai explained, was to increase the representation of Indian commercial bodies on the Port Trusts as a result of constitutional changes and as a great deal of variation of the relative importance of these bodies had taken place. Proviso had been made for increased representation for labour. It was also proposed to have some uniformity in the constitution of these Port Trusts. The representation of the various commercial interests on the Port Trusts was not actually specified. This was done in the interests of flexibility and it was left to the Central Government to arrange for the actual representation by executive orders.

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa considered the measure retrograde in certain respects.

BOMBAY CORPORATION'S PLEA

Mr. S. K. Patil referred to the general complaint in the past that Indian commercial interests were not adequately represented on the port-trusts and said that although the bill did not specifically say it, he took it that Indian commercial interests would have a preponderating voice in future.

In regard to the Bombay Port Trust, Mr. Patil recalled that recently the Bombay Municipal Corporation had made a representation to the Transport Minister that the existing quota of two elected representatives on the Port Trust from the Corporation should be retained. They had also pleaded that the number of nominated representatives should be increased from one to two. Even if the Trasport Minister could not see his way to accepting the latter request, he hoped he would accede to the former.

MATTHAI'S REPLY

The transport minister, Dr. John Mathai, replying to the debate said that the real reason why it had been left to the Government's discretion to select the commercial interests from among whom representatives would be selected, was to maintain some amount of elasticity.

As regards the proportion of representation given to elected bodies, he was aware of the apparent anomaly in some cases where it appeared as if the nominated members were more than the elected members. But would point out that the nominated members also included representatives of labour who would really be selected in consultation with all the registered trade unions concerned with Port Labour. In regard to Municipal corporation representation on the Port Trust, Dr. Mathai said he proposed to allow Howrah one representative, and on that analogy, to ensure uniformity would retain Bombay's representation to two elected members. Madras stood on a class by itself.

REPRESENTATION BY ROTATION

The question of representation for sectional interests as raised, but he would point out that the post trusts were executive bodies and the number should be kept within manageable limiits. However, he proposed to ask commercial organisations, who would be asked to choose representatives, to give him a panel of the sectional interests which they would like to be represented. Out of that panel he would suggest to them to choose certain sectional interests for a snecified period. In the next rotation, some other sectional interests would be chosen.

Dr. Mathai accepted an amendment moved by Mr. S K. Patil to increase the number of elective trustees in the Bombay Board from thirteen to fourteen, Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari's amendment to increase the number of elected commissioners for Calcutta from ten to thirteen, another amendment by the same member to increase elected trustees for Madras from ten to eleven and Mr. Mihir Lal Chattopadhyay's amendment providing for the election of one commissioner by the Howrah Municipality.

The bill, was amended, and passed.

RAILWAY RATES TRIBUNAL

The Transport Minister then moved his Bill to amend the Indian Railways Act to set up a Railway Rates Tribunal and appoint Claims Commissioners.

The proposed tribunal, Dr. Mathai added, was to consist of three members all of whom would be persons of judicial experience qualified in law. They would be assisted by assessors who would partly be men with industrial commercial or trade experience and partly men with railway and financial experience. It was the intention that where a question of important principles or policy was involved in matters coming up before the tribunal, investigation should be done by a full bench of the tribunal, but where only routine matters had to be taken up investigation could be left to a single judge assisted by the assessors.

Complaints which the tribunal would be authorised to investigate would be those relating to undue preference or to unreasonable rates and charges for merchandise traffic by goods trains. Provision was being made that no increase in the existing class rates or scheduled rates or terminal rates could be introduced by the railway administrations themselves. The question of rates could be determined only by the tribunal, subject to the provision that the tribunal could not examine those matters relating to increases unless they had been initiated by the Central Government.

One important class of railway rates, which would be left outside the scope of the tribunal, was rates relating to passengers and coaching traffic, unless those matters were specifically referred to the tribunal by the Central Government. There was no appeal against the decisions of the tribunal, which would be final.

The second thing dealt with in the bill related to the appointment of claims commissioners. The object was to remove the hardship presently experienced by passengers as a result of delays in the payment of compensation to those injured or to the dependents of those killed in accidents to passenger trains. The claims commissioners would adopt a summary procedure somewhat on the lines of small causes courts. They would also be empowered in adequate cases to make interim payments up to an amount not exceeding fifty per cent of the amount of estimated compensation.

Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar moved for reference of the Bill to a Select Committee Under the existing provisions of the Bill, it did not seem to be open to the tribunal to reduce the fares in any particular case, he pointed out.

JEWISH PUSH IN JERUSALEM

Former Government House Seized: Alert In Cairo

AMMAN, August 17 (Reuter): Jewish armoured force seized the former Government House in Jerusalem, now a Red Cross Centre, giving them control of the roads south to Bethlehem, it was officialy stated here today.

They smashed through to the centre after heavily shelling the Old City and Arab Legion positions, and were now threatening to cut off Jerusalem and the whole of south Palestine from the Transjordan Capital, the Arabs said.

More fighting was reported in the Holy City later today—four weeks after the beginning of the official truce—while Cairo had a fifteen-minute air raid alert this afternoon.

A mortar bomb landed near the Jerusalem Magistrate's court where two Britons, Frederick Sylvester and William Hawkins, were being tried on charges of spying for the Arabs.

LIFE AND DEATH BATTLE

In Damascus Syria's President Shukri el Kuatly told Parliament today that "Syria will never abandon her duty of liberating Palestine.

SAUDI ARABIA'S PROTEST

Saudi Arabia has allowed a credit for reconstruction from the Export-import Bank in Washington to run out unused "because of the attitude of the American Government in the Palestine situation."

RAJAJI'S SOUTH INDIAN TOUR

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17, (A. P. I.): The Governor-General, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, accompanied by his daughter Srimathi Namagiri, Col. Chatterjee, Military Secretary, and Mr. T. R. V. Chari, Press Attache is leaving tomorrow on a ten-day tour of South India.

He is expected to arrive the Mysore tomorrow afternoon. The tour includes Bangalore, Cochin, Trivandrum, Madras, Nagpur and Sewagram.

ABUNDANT RAINFALL IN C. KATHIAWAR

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, August 16: Rainfall which had hitherto been absent from the Amreli Prant of Baroda State and in the surrounding district commenced from August 10, the amounts received so far ranging between 5 and 10 inches. The rivers Thebi and Vadi were heavily flooded. A situation of extreme peril, marked by the acute scarcity of fodder, the soaring prices of foodgrains due to the export of 40,000 maunds of good quality wheat from the Amreli Prant and the orgy of armed dacoities committed in the country-side by Rahimtulla and Suragvala with the help of their bloodthirsty comrades in crime, has happily terminated. The jubilant cultivators have started sowing operations with all expedition.

The timely advent of widely distributed rainfall in Kathiawar has spared its population the unpleasant repercussions which had staggered the United States Government by their variety and complexity when they made rain to order to outpace the artificial rain-makers of the South African jungles.

LANDS FOR REFUGEES IN EAST PUNJAB

SIMLA, Aug. 16 (API): Out of a total cultivable abandoned land of 3,282,079 acres. 2,867,075 acres has been temporarily allotted to refugees till July 31. The remaining land has been accounted for that was mortgaged by Muslim evacuees to non-Muslims and that was left in the possession of occupancy tenants. 75,000 acres of land is proposed to be given to Harijan refugees.

Giving these figures to the Press correspondents today, Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, Premier of East Punjab said that so far 1,841,000 refugees had been settled in rural areas and Government since June, had given Rs. 1,081,783 for seed tacavi, 1,039,977 for the purchase of bullocks and Rs. 3,425,940 for food loans. In addition Rs. 70,520 were given to village servants and artisans.

MADRAS, Aug. 17 (API): Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Health Minister, Government of India, declared open this evening the B. C. G. Vaccine Laboratory at King Institute, Guindy. This is the first laboratory in India to manufacture B. C. G. Vaccine.

Nehru To Lead Indian Delegation To U.N.

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17. (API): Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru hopes to pay a brief visit to Europe, if circumstances permit, during the third session of the United Nations General Assembly commencing in Paris on September 21.

In this event he will lead the Delegation during the time he is in Paris, says a Press Note issued today.

It is also possible that Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, the Secretary-General of the External Affairs Ministry, may be in Europe at that time. In that case he will join the Delegation as a representative.

The Indian Delegation to the 3rd session of the United Nations General Assembly commencing in Paris on September 21 will be composed of the following:—

REPRESENTATIVES — Shrimati Vijayalakshmi Pandit (Chairman), His Highness the Jam Saheb of Nawanagar, Mr. M. C. Setalvad, Mr. B. Shiva Rao and Mr. J. R. D. Tata.

ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES —Mr. D. B. Desai, Minister of India in Switzerland, Dr. P. P. Pillai, India's representative with the United Nations; Prof. Habib, Aligarh University; Shrimati Lakshmi Menon, Editor of the "Roshni."

SECRETARY-GENERAL—Mr. C. S. Jha, Joint Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations.

ADVISERS—Mr. M. J. Desai, Indian Trade Commissioner-Designate in London; Mr. K. V. K. Sundaram, Secretary, Ministry of Law; Mr. B. P. Adarkar, Head of Economic Affairs Section, Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations; Dr. A Appadorai, Secretary, Indian Council of World Affairs.

SECRETARIES TO THE DELEGATION—Mr. J. N. Dhamija, Under Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations; Mr. B. N. Nanda, Under-Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations.

The names of the Public Relations Officers to the Delegations will be announced later.

Stop Press

MOLOTOV'S NOTE TO WEST

MOSCOW, August 17 (Reuter): M. Molotov was believed to have presented an extremely important communication regarding Germany at last night's Kremlin meeting with the three Western Envoys, according to some informed Western quarters here tonight.

The nature of the communication was undisclosed and its presentation cannot yet be confirmed by quarters closest to the Envoys.

The fact that the Envoys were even less communicative than ever following last night's meeting was held by some observers here to substantiate the report.

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BREACH OF INDO-BRITISH AGREEMENT

Participation Of British Personnel Of Pakistan In Kashmir Fighting

NEW DELHI, August 17 (U.P.I.): The Government of India have made representations to the U.K. Government taking strong exception to the participation of British personnel of the Pakistan Armed Forces in the Kashmir fighting either directly orindirectly, the United Press of India learns.

It has been brought to the notice of the U. K. Government that British personnel, though probably have not taken part in actual fighting against the Indian Army, have been responsible for training of Pakistan troops sent to Kashmir, planning of operations and directing the despatch of troops in Kashmir. The British personnel have taken the responsibility with the full knowledge that Pakistan Army was despatched to fight the Army of sister Dominion. This, it is pointed out, is contrary to the principle underlying the agreement with British Government under which British personnel have been retained in the Armed Forces of both the Dominions.

Although there are British personnel in the Indian Army also it may be stated that they are indirectly involved in so far as India accepted their responsibility in driving the raiders out of Kashmir. One significant difference between the British officers in Pakistan and British officers in Indian Army is that Indian Army was despatched to Kashmir with the object of fighting the raiders and not the Army of a sister Dominion. For that purpose Indian Army chiefs could have sent troops even under the command of British officers to fight the raiders, although that was not done.

The Pakistan troops, however, had been despatched to Kashmir to fight the Indian Army and the British officers knowingly accepted the responsibility of engaging themselves in the undeclared war against India.

MILITARY SURVEY OF RAIDERS' FRONT

Kashmir Commission Party Back In Delhi

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17. (API): The Military Survey Party of the United Nations Kashmir Commission consisting of Mr. H. Graeffe (Belgium) and Major Francis Smith, Military Adviser to the U. S. Delegate, arrived here this afternoon after a visit to the raiders' side of the fighting front in Kashmir. The Party had visited the Indian side of the front about two weeks ago.

Dr. Alfredo Lozano (Columbia), Chairman of the U.N. Commission is expected to arrive here tomorrow from Karachi.

Nehru Discusses Kashmir 'Cease Fire' Proposals

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17 (API): Artillery duels continued throughout yesterday in all sectors in Jammu and Kashmir between our troops and those of the enemy says a Defence Ministry COMMUNIQUE today. Otherwise there is little to report.

"CEASE FIRE" TALKS

Members and alternates of the U. N. Commission today met the Prime Minister and Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar when they devoted to a discussion and elucidation of the Commission's proposal for a 'cease-fire' which the Commission had presented to the Prime Minister on Aug. 14 according to a Press Note issued here.

The Press Note says:—

The following Members and Alternates of the U. N. Commission today met the Prime Minister and the Hon. Shri Gopalaswami Ayyangar:

H. E. Ambassador Josef Korbel, H. E. Ambassador J. Klahr Huddle, H. E. Minister Egbert Graeffe, Mr. C. Leguizamon, and Mr. Samper.

Sir G. S. Bajpai, Mr. M. K. Vellodi and Mr. A. V. Pai were also present.

The meeting was devoted to a discussion and elucidation of the Commission's proposal for a 'cease-fire' which the Commission had presented to the Prime Minister on the Aug. 14.

Dr. Guha For Brussels

CALCUTTA, Aug. 17 (API): Dr B. S. Guha of the Department of Anthropology, Calcutta University, has left for Brussels by air to represent the Government of India at the International Congress of Anthropology and Ethnological sciences, which is being held at Tervuren this week.

He will also represent the Royal Asiatic Society of Bengal, the National Institute of Sciences of India and the Trustees of the Indian Museum at the Congress.

Monsoon Generally Weakening

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Monsoon is generally weakening in the province as yesterday's depression over the Vindhya Pradesh had weakened and moved away. Between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. today Mahabeleshwar recorded the maximum fall of 2 inches while there were only light showers elsewhere.

Bombay registered a rainfall of only 14 cents. Cloudy weather with occasional showers are expected in Bombay and Suburbs tomorrow, the Santa Cruz Observatory stated late in the night.

Ferry services to Dharamtar, which were cancelled yesterday owing to bad weather, have not been resumed so far.

12 Killed In House Collapse

LAHORE, Aug. 17 (API): Twelve persons were killed and six seriously injured when a house collapsed as a result of heavy rainfall in Okara, in Montgomery District, yesterday.

About 5000 people, it is stated, have been rendered homeless in Okara owing to the collapse of over 400 houses.

LICENSE FEE FOR SALE OF DENATURED SPIRIT

Licence fee for the wholesale sale of denatured spirit has been fixed at Rs. 1,000 in Greater Bombay and Rs. 500 in the rest of the Province, with effect from July 1, 1948.

MALAYAN HUNT FOR GUERILLAS

Directive To Chinese Consulates

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug. 17, (Reuter): Royal air force planes co-operated with ground forces in a new combined operation against communist guerillas today in a district of Pahang State, where planters recently threatened to leave their properties unless protection were increased.

At dawn, Beaufighters and spitfires began the first of five attacks on Guerillas' jungle positions.

Police and ground forces who today followed up yesterday's beaufighter and spitfire raid in Perak State found three wounded Chinese, including a Captain of the Malayan Peoples anti-Japanese army lying near the remains of a hut.

The hut, which was destroyed by the air attack, was the 'peoples army' headquarters for the area, it as announced from Ipoh.

The combined force shot dead a Chinese who tried to run from the adjoining area and arrested two young Chinese. Ammunition and anti-British pamphlets were seized.

All Chinese consulates in Malaya have been told to co-operate fully with the British authorities during the present fighting, the Chinese Foreign Office announced today, according to a Reuter message from Shanghai.

POLICE & RAZAKARS RAID VILLAGE

Search For State Congress Workers Hideont

NAGPUR, Aug. 17 (A.P.I.): A combined party of the Hyderabad State police headed by their Director-General, and 50 armed Razakars, along with some civil officials, raided a village within Hyderabad State, territory, only a few miles from the Berar border on August 11 on suspicion that it was a hideout of State Congress workers, according to reliable reports received here from the Berar border.

The reports add that the Razakars and the Sate police carried out a four-hour search of all the houses in the village and, it is alleged, looted and took away gold and silver ornaments while returning to Rajura, another village within the State limits. They are further alleged to have molested Hindu women and inflicted heavy casualties on villagers.

STATE CONGRESS WORKERR KILLED

NAGPUR, Aug. 17 (A.P.I.): One Hyderabad State Congress worker was fatally injured by a handgrenade in a clash between armed Razakars and some State Cougress workers in the village of Dongaon (within Hyderabad territory), a few miles from the border distrilct of Buldhana in Berar on August 12. The injured died in the Buldhana hospital where he was brought by his companions.

It is authoritatively stated here today that no Home Guards from C. P. and Berar were involved in this incident, and the press report (not issued by the Associated Press) stating that the Home Guards replied to the Razakars with fire and one Home Guard succumbed to injuries in the clash is without foundation.

The encounter toofl place between the Razakars, believed to be considerable in numbers, and Hyderabad State Congress workers and Kisan Dal members witrin Hyderabad territory, and not on the Berar-Hyderabad border.

'HABEAS CORPUS' APPLICATION REJECTED

NAGPNR, August 17 (U.P.I.): Mr. Justice Hidayatullah and Mr. Justice V. B. Sarvate of the Nagpur High Court dismissed today a 'Habeas Corpus' application preferred by Syed Sirajuddin, a retired head constable of Amraoti, against his detention by order of the Provincial Government.

Their Lordships held that there were sufficient reasons to prove that he had been carrying on propaganda in praise of the Hyderabad Governand against the Government of India, and inciting the Muslim residents of Amraoti to migrate to the Hyderabad State with a view to joining the Razakars.

'Reds" Attack Nizam's State Rly. Station

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) Aug. 17 (API): Communists attacked the Pembarti station on the Nizam's State railway, in Malgonda district, on the morning of August 16, states a Nizam's Government Press Note today.

The Note adds that they fatally shot the station porter and seriously wounded a head constable and two constables. Special train was sent to the station to bring back the injured. They have been admitted to the Lallaguda Hospital in Secunderabad.

Perbarti is 54 miles from Hyderabad on the Hyderabad-Bezwada line.

Raman On His Plans For Research Institute

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (Reuter): Sir C. V. Raman, Indian Physicist and Nobel Prize winner, who has spent five weeks in the United States, inspected laboratories and met Indian students at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute.

Sir C. V. Raman, who is returning to India, spoke on his latest theories about Diamond crystals and discussed plans for the Raman Research Institute, which he founded at Bangalore, Mysore State.

Besides furthering his own researches Sir C. V. Raman hopes the institute will become an International cultural centre "to which the top men in their respective fields will come to talk", and that it will "show India's greatness in the field for exact sciences".

Sir C. V. Raman came to the United States to attend Washington meetings of the Ten-Man Advisory Council of the International Bank of Reconstruction and Development and also took part in the Congress of the International Union of Crystallography at Harvard University last week.

IMPOSE 'LIBERTY TAX'

Choitram's Suggestion For Refugee Rehabilitation

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A suggestion for the imposition of a levy called 'liberty tax' for the rehabilitation of the refugees was made by Dr. Choithram Gidvani, President of the Sindh Provincial Congress Committee here today.

Dr. Gidvani who was addressing a press conference at the hall of the Sindh Resettlement Corporation at Sir P. M. Road, this evening, said: "we are not yet out of the woods. There is therefore need for vigilance. We cannot afford to be complascent."

The refugees were the victims of partition of the country which came in the wake of freedom and as such they had a right to claim consideration from all Indians he continued.

Some 30 lakhs of refugees from Sindh, Baluchistan Bhawalpur and Frontier who have come to India had to be put on their feet. Their rehabilitation would cost huge sums of money which could not be met with from Provincial or Central budgets and therefore he suggested immediate imposition of a 'liberty tax' on all Indians to meet the expenses for the rehabilitation of the refugees.

Referring to the Government of India's efforts to provide adequate relief to the unfortunate refugees Dr. Gidvani said that at present with all the good intentions of the Government, they were not succeeding in the efforts as their plans lacked a clear appreciation of the needs of the refugees and he, therefore, advocated the formation of a Board composed of two Cabinet Ministers from the Centre and two representatives of the refugees to plan out a clear cut programme of the orderly rehabilitation of the refugees.

ADMINISTRATION OF EVACUEE PROPERTY

East Punjab Ordinance On Occupancy Rights

SIMLA, August 17, (A.P.I.): The East Punjab Governor has promulgated the East Punjab Evacuees (Administration of Property Third Amendment) Ordinance, 1948, which provides that notwithstanding anything contained in the Punjab Tenancy Act, 1947, or any other law for the time being in force in the light of occupancy in any land of an evacuee, which has vested in the custodian, shall not be extinguished or be deemed to have been extinguished nor shall an evacuee or the custodian, whether as an occupancy tenant or a tenant for a fixed term in any land, be liable to be ejected or be deemed to have become liable on any ground whatsoever for any default of the custodian before such land is allotted or leased under this Act and allotted or leased as the case may be, taken over possession thereof in pursuance of the allotment of lease.

HOUSES FOR REFUGEES

The East Punjab Government have proposed to give sites for building houses to refugees on instalment basis. The sale prices of the sites would be recovered within fifteen years in thirty half-yearly instalments. Loans ranging from Rs. 5,000 to Rs. 20,000 will be given to those refugees who want to build houses on the sites. A site of about 17 'Marlas' is estimated to cost about Rs. 1.300 to Rs. 1,500. There are about 5000 such sites at various places in the province.

Permanent allotment of land to refugees in rural areas is expected to be completed by March next, after varification of land claims, it is officially learnt here today.

MORARKA'S BAIL PERIOD EXTENDED AGAIN

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Chief Presidency Magistrate at the Esplanade Police Court today again granted a police application for further extension of the bail period of Gokulchand Dwarkadas Morarka, a Millowner and three employees of the Sholapur Spinning Mills.

Morarka and the three accused were arrested in March last for alleged breach of the High Denomination Notes Demonitisation Ordinance and were subsequently released on bail. Since then police applied before the Court for extension of their bail period a number of times.

When the police made an application to-day for further extension Mr. E. B Ghaswala appearing for Morarka pointed out to the court that his client had approched to the High Court and a rule was issued against the police to show cause why the suspects were not charge-sheeted as yet.

Inspector Miranda of the Anti Corruption Branch of the Bombay C.I.D. submitted that since a new situation had arisan out of the High Court Rule he would have to discuss with the Home Department of the Bombay Government and pending that requested the Court to grant the police application. Time was granted till August 31.

HOLIDAY FOR RATIONING OFFICES

All Ward and Area Rationing Offices in the Greater Bombay, Government Grain Shops, Civil Supplies Godowns and Sales Offices, Milk Powder Depots and Government Godowns of skim milk powder, will remain closed on August 19, 1948 on account of 'Cocoanut Day' which is a public holiday.

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS COMMITTEE: An important meeting of the Freedom of the Press Committee will be held today (Wednesday), at 6-45 p. m. at the Cama Hall Library, 2nd Floor, Old Custom House Road, Bombay.

All members are invited to attend.

972 ARRESTS AT AGRA

Situation Under Control Assures Magistrate

AGRA, Aug. 17 (API): During the last 24 hours, the situation remained quiet. Curfew was lifted for two hours in rotation in the different localities of the city.

The District Magistrate in a press note said today: "There were no incidents and the situation is under control. Three more persons died in the hospital. Curfew is being relaxed partially. An unlicensed revolver was recovered from a newspaper hawker. 972 persons have been arrested so far."

G. I. P. GUARDS' FAST CONTINUES

The hundred and one guards of the GIP Railway who went on a hunger strike on Monday intend continuing their fast till their grievances are redressed.

In a letter addressed to the strikers the Divisional Superintendent of the GIP states that the representation of the guards has been forwarded to the Chief Traffic Superintendent BB & CI Railway for disposal. The letter also informs the hungry men that their demands will receive consideration and a suitable reply sent to them in due course.

However, the leter warns the guards that if they continue their fast they do so at their own risk. In the meantime no immediate compromise is expected to break the present deadlock. Train services are in no way affected as the guards are on duty as usual.

Exhibition Of Oriental Books

An Exhibition of Oriental Books will be held in Praha (Prague) in September 1948.

The Government of the Republic of Czechoslovakia have requested the Government of India to obtain a representative selection of ancient and modern Indian prints, manuscripts, books in Indian languages and a map of India in Hindi.

Universities learned societies and individuals willing to loan material for exhibits may contact immediately the Ministry of Education (Administration and External Relations Division) Government of India.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON OCTOBER.
NEW YORK, Aug. 17.

Previous Closing	31.00
Today's Opening	31.01
Difference	+1
Today's Closing	31.14
Difference	+14

LAST QUOTATIONS.
BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

	Rs.	As.
Silver Bullion Forward	176	9
Gold Forward	112	10
Sovereign	75	2

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NEW YORK STOCKS.
NEW YORK, Aug. 17.

Opening prices :—
Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 36-1/2.
General Motors dol. 62-1/4.
United States Steel Common dol. 76-3/8.
Ditto Pref. dol. 134-1/2.—(Reuter).

London Stock Exchange

LONDON, August 17, (Reuter): Features were almost entirely absent in the Stock Exchange today. Once again the trading volume was negligible and share prices in industrial and oil sections showed small declines.

British Government stocks were irregular, small improvements outnumbered declines.

Today was last of account and dealings were mostly for purpose of levelling up positions.

With the international political news blackout continuing, there remains no incentive for operators to enter into fresh commitments. The domestic situation also offers little encouragement to prospective investors.

The South African mining market showed many small losses. There was, however, certain demands from Johannesburg for selected speculative issues and useful rises were recorded. These were confined to new pioneers, Middle wits and free state gebuld. Buying was reported to have been a result of bear covering.

NEW YORK PEPPER PRICES

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (UPA)

Black pepper buyers boosted the bid prices for futures to the full daily limit of 200 points in an unsuccessful attempt to attract sellers.

The higher spot market and limited supplies for domestic use account for the move.

Dealers reported spot Lampong at 75 cents as business lagged. While pepper was 75 to 77 cents, one to three cents higher than the price during the last week.

Closing prices included:

September	70 cents bid.
October-December	69 cents bid.
January	63 cents bid.
March	60 cents bid.
May	59 cents nom.
July	58 cents nom.

In the ready market, black was quoted at 75 cents and white 75 to 77 cents.

Other seed prices included:—

Castorseeds dol. 135 nom per long ton f.o.b. Brazilian ports.

Cottonseeds dol. 70 nom. per ton, basis Memphis, depending on quality.

Flaxseeds dol. 6.10 per bushel, Minneapolis.

Linseed Oil 27.8 cents pound in tank cars.

Peanuts 18,50—.75 cents per pound f.o.b point of shipment.

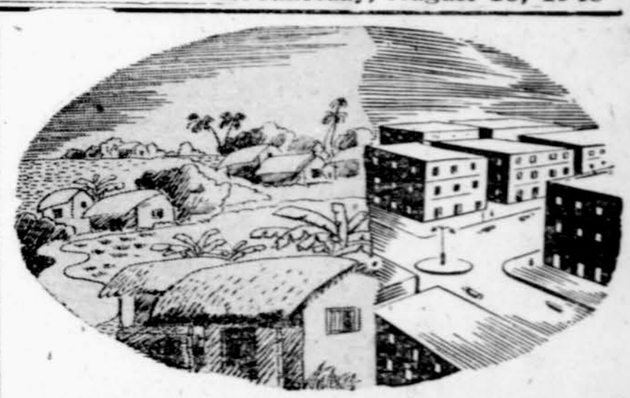
Groundnut oil 27.6 cents per pound, nom.

LONDON PEPPER INACTIVE

LONDON, Aug. 16 (UPA)

The pepper market remained completely inactive to-day with Singapore quoting black at 3/3-/12 but there was no business done.

Malabar quotation was non-existent as far as this market was concerned.



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BOMBAY Stock Exchange

DYEING SHARES LOOK UP ON ACTIVE PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT

Bombay, Aug. 17.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was somewhat adversely affected by the resignation of the Finance Minister, at the opening, but the timely support coming out from interested parties changed the complexation. The steady support discouraged sellers in Steel shares while Cotton Mill shares were actively supported by professional bulls. Particularly Bombay Dyeings proved a strong spot where shorts comes in to cover and prices moved up. This improvement had sympathetic effect on other speculative counters.

Tata Steel Defds shares opened at a decline of Rs. 15 at Rs. 1605 and after declining at Rs. 1602-8 moved up at Rs. 1618-12 under increased buying support but thereafter reacted at Rs. 1613-12 under scattered liquidation. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 310 and advanced at Rs. 313. Indian Iron and Bengal Steels were quoted at Rs. 25-11 and Rs. 21-6 respectively.

Bombay Dyeings opened unchanged at Rs. 1030 and after declining at Rs. 1025 firmed up at Rs. 1050 on active bull support and steadied at Rs. 1045. Central Indias were quoted at Rs. 282 while Gokaks were placed at Rs. 308. Finlay shares opened at Rs. 297 and after declining at Rs. 295 improved at Rs. 299. Kohinoors opened at Rs. 308 and after advancing at Rs. 314-8 steadied at Rs. 312-8. Swadeshis opened at Rs. 309 and later came in business at Rs. 312-8. Simplex shares were quoted at Rs. 200 and New Greats were done at Rs. 159.

Bank shares were quietly steady. Centrals opened at Rs. 89 and quietened at Rs. 88-12. Imperials fully paid were quoted at Rs. 2042-8 while New partly paid shares were placed at Rs. 507-8. Reserve Bank shares were done at Rs. 113-8 and India Banks were quoted at Rs. 205. United Commercials improved at Rs. 61-12 after opening at Rs. 61-8.

In the miscellaneous section Associated Cements were quiet at Rs. 165-8. Belapurs opened at Rs. 272 and improved at Rs 276. Bombay Burmas were quoted at Rs. 418-12 while Premier Constructions were done at Rs. 192-8. Tata Chemicals were quoted at Rs. 15-12 while Tata Oils stood at Rs. 55. Scindia shares opened at Rs. 26-1 and after declining at Rs. 25-15 advanced at Rs. 26-4.

Government Securities were steady with 3 per cent 1986 Conversion Loan quoted at Rs. 99-7.

Towards the close there was further buying and Tata Steel Defds improved at Rs. 1622-8 while Ordinary shares were done at Rs. 313-8. Bombay Dyeings were in demand at Rs. 1050 and Scindia shares were steady at Rs. 26-5. Closing tone was steady with active buying in Cotton Mill shares.

After the close there was no development and Tata Steel Defds. were nominally quoted at Rs. 1,617-8.

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS

	Rs.	a.
Elphinstone Mills (5) X. D.	73	8
Phoenix Mills (50)	446	4
Indian Manufacturing	4260	
Koorla Mills (5) X.R.	148	12
Dawn Mills (40)	1545	
David Mills (8)	191	4
New City Mills (10)	212	8
Minerva Mills (12)	161	4
Bradbury Mills	680	
Bharucha Dfd. (0-4)	5	6
Bharat Mills (2)	38	12
Mysore Spg. Mills	185	10
Madhovji Dharamsi (0-12)	15	
Model Mills (12-8)	185	0
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	720	0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	281	4
Western India (40)	4010	
Standard Mills (15)	580	
Sholapur Mills (200)	4520	0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0/8)	12	8
Hindustan Mills (40)	4185	
Tata Mills (3)	72	8
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	275	
Ahmedabad Advance New	195	
Sassoon Silk (3)	90	0
New Union Mills (0-8)	12	4
Madhusudan R (2/8)	47	
Shrinivas Mills	195	0
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	126	
Berar Mills	275	0
Victoria Mills	225	
Colaba Land Coupon	43	
New Great New	153	

ELECTRIC SHARES

Ahmedabad Electric (3-8)	117	8
Ahmedabad New	13	4
Surat Electricity (2-8)	151	4
Surat New	152	8
Karachi Electric Supply (2)	141	4
Broach Elec. Supply (0-5)	11	0
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10	11
Amalgamated (0-12)	13	4
Nagpur Electricity (1/12)	53	
Poona Electric Supply	155	0
Bombay Suburban Old (3)	149	2
Bombay Suburban New (2) XD	131	4

BANK SHARES

Reserve Bank (2-12) XD	113	8
Imperial Bank of India (35)	2045	0
Imperial Bank P.P. (8-12)	507	8
Central Bank Old (1-8)	89	0
Central Bank New	88	8
Bank of India (4)	204	8
Union Bank of India	9	7
Bank of Baroda (3-8)	164	8
Habib Bank (4)	163	
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	52	8
United Commercial (1-8)	61	12
Bank of India Coupon	38	8
Jaipur Bank (1/8)	48	
Hindustan Commercial	27	0
Mysore Bank (8)	365	

divided into a larger number of provinces than exist at present, there

REPRESENTATIVES — Shrimati Vijayalakshmi Pandit (Chairman), Ministry and Commonwealth Relations; Mr. B. N. Nanda, Under-Secretary, Ministry

members also included representatives of labour who would Select Committee Under the

INSURANCE SHARES

Oriental Life (125)	5150	0
Empire of India (10)	687	8
New India Assurance (1-8)	64	8
Jupiter General (1/4)	25	
Vulcan Insurance (0-10)	13	4
Indian Mercantile (2)	44	
Universal Fire (0/4)	11	
British India General (9-12) X. D.	23	
Industrial and Prudential	29	
Neptune Assurance		
New Great	25	
All India General	21	

RAILWAY SHARES

Central Provinces (1-4)	108	8
Mymensingh Benate (2)	103	
Mymensingh Guaranteed (1/4)	103	12
Pachora-Jamner Rly (2/8)	107	

MISCELLANEOUS SHARES

Alcock Ashdown (15)	318	12
Bombay Steamer (28)	605	0
Bombay Burma New (5)	150	0
British Burma Petrol	2	1/9
Mackenzie (6)	90	0
Port Canning (6)	79	0
Kemp and Co. (New)	462	8
Kemp and Co. (30)	475	
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	150	0 0
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	99	8
Western India Match (7-5)	301	4
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	37	0
Mukund Iron	10	
Dena Trust (0/12)	21	
Alembic Chemical (15) XR	202	4
Supreme India	123	12
Jam Wire (6)	73	0
Bombay Uganda	69	
Bombay Motor Cycle	42	
Walchand Nagar Industries	216	4
United Motor	74	
Associated Cement New (1-4)	105	12
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	910	
Hydary Construction	19	8
Mahmadi Steam	96	8
Gujarat Motor	25	2
Sardar Carbonic	750	
Harvey Press	310	0
Estrela Batteries	51	0
Prince of Wales Press	610	0
Manmad Press	120	0

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel 1st (6)	192	8
Andhra Valley (7)	1307	8
Tata Power (7/8)	1395	0
Hydro Electric (7)	130	0
Bombay Steamer (6)	307	8
Central India (5)	645	0
Swadeshi Mills	146	
Vishnu Mills (7)	640	
Lakshmi Mills	277	8
New Great Mills (5/8)	222	8
Poddar Mills (4)	105	0
Shrinivas Mills	98	0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	113	2
Bradbury Bills (7-8)	365	0
Surat Electricity (3/4)	131	4
Premier Construction 1st (6)	120	0
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	122	8
Amalgamated (5/8)	123	2
Habib	72	0
Tata Chemical (5)	135	0
Walchand Nagar Indus. (7)	250	0
Jupiter General	19	14
Supreme	120	0
Meyer	121	4
Mackenzie 1st	127	8
Mackenzie 2nd	125	0
Ahmedabad Advance	132	8
Mysore Mills	50	0
Standard Mills	101	0
Madhusudan Mills	12	0
Khatau Mills	105	0

DEBENTURES

Andhra 1952 (4)	103	8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	105	0
Indian Hume Pipe (6)	111	
Tata Power 1951	103	0
Walchand Nagar (6)	117	0

OUTSIDE SHARES

Indian Copper (2-7)	2	9
British India Corporation (0-10)	8	0
Burma Corporation	3	4
New Victoria Mill	4	0
Phalton Sugar (8)	130	0
Gold Mohur (20)	325	0
New Kaiser-i-Hind	375	0
Sajjan Mills (3)	225	0
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	1	1
Azam Jabi Mills (10)	260	0
Air Service	11	0
Ambica Air Lines	16	14
Air India	151	4
Hind Motor	6	1
Indian Steam	11	4

METAL MARKET

BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

Tin Shravan dely.	61	4	0
Tin Aso dely.	62	4	0
Copper Ingots Shravan	91	0	0
Copper Ingots Aso	92	0	0

BOMBAY COTTON

Sharp Decline On Heavy Selling Pressure

BOMBAY, August 17.

The local cotton market was fairly steady to-day with mixed trading.

Sir Purshotamdas the President of the East India Cotton Association has gone to Delhi to attend the meeting which is expected to be held this afternoon and traders are inclined to await developments.

The Government is preparing to take drastic steps against inflationary aspects and huge foreign cotton crop, do not favour higher prices for Indian Cotton in the long run.

The market opened steady at Rs. 573 for September delivery and after declining at Rs. 571 under small selling advanced at Rs. 574 on short covering. Thereafter the market quietened at Rs. 572.

The market will remain closed on Thursday the 19th inst.

Later on there was further small liquidation which resulted in a loss of two points and September contract was quoted at Rs. 570.

Later on it was rumoured that the Government will fix the ceiling price for cotton at Rs. 650. This induced heavy selling and September was depressed at Rs. 557. At this level just before the close there was scattered short covering and September improved at Rs. 558-8. The market thus lost about Rs. 14 and final quotation at 4-30 p.m. was as under.

I.C.C. September Rs. 558 8 0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian cotton September contract is 900 cent points below New York October at Exchange rate 331.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE
BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

Tata Ordinary 313 Tata Deferred 1620 Indian Iron 25/14 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 21/8 Bombay Dyeing 1050 Central India 282 Gokak 309 Kohinoor 314 Simplex 200 Swadesh 312 Tata Power 1627/8 Associated Cement 165/8 Belapur 275 Bombay Burma (Old) 421/4 Scindia 26/4 Centra Bank 89 New India 64/8 Tata 2nd Pref. 141.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
NEW YORK, Aug 16.

American Telephone and Telegraph	152-3/8
Amerex Holding Co.	26-1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining	36-1/2
Chase National Bank	35-1/4
Sinclair Oil	26-5/8
Firestone Tyres and Rubber Co.	46-1/4
General Electric Co.	38-5/8
General Motors	61-7/8
Ingersol Rand	77-1/2
International Nickel	30-3/8
National City Bank of New York	38-1/4
New York Central Rail Road Co.	16-3/4
[illegible] Corporation	[illegible]
Texas Corporation	58
Union Carbide New Stocks	40
U. S Smelting Refining Mining Co.	46-1/2
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	76-3/8
Western Union Telegraph	20-1/4

NEW YORK SILVER
NEW YORK, Aug. 16.

U. S. price of foreign silver 72-3/4 cents

LONDON EXCHANGES
LONDON, Aug. 16.

	SELLING	BUYING
T. T. London on :		
New York	4.0275	4.0325
Montreal	4.0275	4.0325
Zurich	17.34	17.34
Stockholm	14.47 to 14.50	

CHICAGO WHEAT
CHICAGO, Aug. 16.

September	2.23-1/4
December	2.26-7/8
May	2.22-1/4
July	2.09-1/2

KARACHI MARKETS
KARACHI, Apg. 16.

Cotton Sind N. T. 89/-. Punjab 289 X.F. 107/-. Four F. 84/- market easy with poor demand. N.T. new Oct.-Nov. quoting Rs. 83/- but nothing doing. Cottonseed N. T. 8/12 Desi 9/4 Rapeseed 201/- steadier fair demand. Gold Tejabi 103/8 Sovereigns 73/- Silver Coins 121 easy.

Stock Exchange: Pakistan State Bank 100/- Habib Bank 166/- Habib Insurance 73/- Mohamadi Steamship 98/- Orient Airways 22/- Three per-cent 1960 Loan 100/8.

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

2 1/4 per cent 1954	98	14
2 1/4 per cent 1950	101	0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	97	4
2 3/4 per cent 1960	100	4
2 3/4 per cent 1962	100	2
2 3/4 per cent 1976	98	14
3 per cent Non-Terminable	99	0
3 per cent 1986 Con.	99	7
3 per cent 1949-52	100	0
3 per cent 1951-54	102	10
3 per cent 1953-56	102	13
3 per cent 1957	102	9
3 per cent 1950-61	102	3
3 per cent 1963-65	101	0
3 per cent 1966-68	100	7
3 per cent 1970-75	100	7
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	105	6
4 per cent 1948-53	101	4
4 per cent 1960-70	110	12
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	104	8
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	112	6
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68	116	0

PROVINCIAL LOANS

2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	98	8
2 3/4 per cent U. P. 1961	98	12
3 per cent Punjab 1952	98	12
3 per cent Bombay 1955	101	4
3 per cent Bombay 1958	101	4
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100	10
3 per cent U. P. 1952	100	10
3 per cent C. P. 1952	100	10
3 per cent N. W. F. 1952	99	0
3 per cent U. P. 1961-66	100	4
4 per cent Bombay Municipality D	111	0
5 per cent Bom. Muni 1959	114	0
6 per cent Bom. Muni 1954	116	0
3-1/4 per cent Municipality 1977	101	10

GOLD AND SILVER

Active General Buying Hardens Quotations

BOMBAY, August 17.

The Bullion market was fairly steady with slightly improved buying in gold which discloses a short position in the Forward market. The difference between spot and next settlement quotations of Rs. 1/8 suggests artificial position of the market.

Forward silver opened at Rs. 175 and improved at Rs. 175/3 under scattered buying and steadied at Rs. 175/2. The market was featureless. Spot silver was quoted at Rs. 175/12.

Gold next settlement opened at Rs. 111/8 and under moderate buying and covering improved at Rs. 111/12. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 113/4 while sovereigns were in demand at Rs. 75/8.

Later on there was active buying in gold and Silver and quotations were marked up as under at the close:—

Ready Silver	176	4	0
Forward Silver	175	14	0
Ready Gold	114	2	0
Forward Gold	112	5	0
Sovereigns	75	12	0

LONDON BULLION
LONDON, Aug. 16.

Spot	44 pence
Forward	44 pence
Gold bars fine per oz.	£8/12/3

CALICUT MARKET

CALICUT, Aug. 17

Coir yarn Beypore 135/145 Quilandy 145/155 Fibre Garbled 100/105 Ungarbled 90/95 Cocoanuts Raw 105/110 Dry 150 Cocoanut Oil 460 Copra Office 307/8 Dilpasand 320 Madrasnottam 325 Pepper Wynaad 1400 Country 1350 Dry Ginger Chernad 450 Ernad 425 Coffee Robusta 155 Timber Pali 45/60 Jungle wood 22/30 Vellapine 40/50 Benteak 40/50 Teak 85/120 Mango 3/4 Teak 12/8/20 Rosewood 10/15.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Aug 17.

B. C. Rates T T D D 1/5 15/16 Ready T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T T D D 1/6 15/16 up to 6 months

London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 9th month

London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th month

London Banks Buying D D 1/16 1/16 to 4th month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th month

London Banks Buying 90 and d/st 1/6 3/16 7th and 9th month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th month

New York Montreal B C Rate T T Rs. 332-1/4

Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 332 1/4

Banks Buying T T Rs 330

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 328 3/4

Montreal Rs. 328 1/2

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 329 Montreal Rs. 328 3/4 L/C

Paris Bank Selling T T Fcs 6400

Paris Banks Buying T T Fcs 6550

Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl 79

Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs 1305

Java Banks Selling T T D D Gldr 79

Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84

Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 156-3/4

Manila Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 165 1/4

CROSS RATE:—New York/London dol. 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Afghani Rs. 52.87/53.43; London Alexandra Pla 97 1/4-3/4; London Amsterdam Fl. 10.68-70; London Bangkok Tel 40; London Belgium Fcs 116 1/2-3/4; London Denmark Kr. 19-32-36; London Hongkong 1/3 1/16; London Iran Rl 128-130; London Java Fl 10.68-70; London Lisbon Es 99.80-100-20; London Manila Pes 8.09-8.14; London Montreal dol 4.02 3/4-4.03-1/4; London New York dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London Oslo Kr 19.98-20.02; London Paris Fcs 863.-40-864.60; London Prague K 201-202; London Singapore 2/3 15/16-2/4 3/16; London Stockholm Kr 14.47-50; London Switzerland Fcs 17.34—36 London Syria 880/5.

DISCOUNT RATES:—London Discts 3 Mos 9/16 p.c. London Discts 6 Mos 5/8 p.c. Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money:—Call 1/2 p.c. 3 Mos 3/4 p.c. 6 Mos 1 p.c. 12 Mos 1-1/2 p.c.

Tone:—Easy.

PRODUCE MARKET

Restricted Turnover Under Quiet Feeling

BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

The produce market was quietly Steady with restricted trading and quotations were mostly unchanged. The market remains dull with little inclination to operate pending the final settlement of castorseeds September contracts.

Quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
GROUNDNUTS:—			
Khandesh quality	32	4	0
Coromandal ready	31	12	0
Bold	31	4	0
December-January	28	13	0
CASTORSEEDS:—			
Ready	30	8	0
LINSEEDS:—			
Ready	26	15	0
September	27	6	0
November-December	27	10	0
OILS:—			
Groundnut ready receipt	18	10	0
Groundnut September	18	8	0
Groundnut October	18	4	0
Groundnut November	17	8	0
Groundnut December	17	4	0
Linseed Oil	18	6	0
Castorseed First Pressing	18	8	0
Castorseeds Commercial Quality	16	8	0

PRODUCE CROP ESTIMATES

NEW DELHI, Aug. 16 (API)—According to the Directorate of Economies and Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture the following are the final estimates of acreage and yield of Ragi, Sugarcane, Castor and Sesamum for 1947-48.

RAGI

The area is 5,108,000 acres and the yield 1,391,000 tons in 1947-48 as compared to 5,174,000 acres and a yield of 1,476,000 tons in 1946-47. This represents a decrease of 1 per cent in acreage and 6 per cent in yield.

This is the first year for which estimates of area and yield or ragi crop are being issued for the Indian Union.

SUGARCANE

The area is 3,784,000 acres and the yield or raw sugar (gur) 5,269,000 tons in 1947-48 as compared to 3,528,000 acres and a yield of 4,913,000 tons in 1946-47. This represents in increase of 7 per cent in acreage and 7 per cent in yield.

The increase in acreage and yield has occurred mainly in the United Provinces.

CASTORSEEDS

The area is 1,462,000 acres and the yield 128,000 tons in 1947-48 as compared to 3,561,000 acres and a yield of 117,000 tons in 1946-47 This represents an increase of 9 per cent in acreage and 9 per cent in yield.

The increase in acreage has occurred mainly in Hyderabad and Western India states.

SESAMUM

The area is 3,542,000 acres and the yield 313,000 tons in 1947-48 as compared to 3,561,00 acres and a yield of 303,000 tons in 1946-47. This represents a decrease of 0.5 per cent in acreage and an increase of 3 per cent in yield.

These estimates of area and yield do not include information in respect of the second crop in Madras Province, which will be released as supplementary estimates.

The above estimates of area and yield correspond to the final forecasts which could not be released in time owing to delay in the receipt of information from several importing areas.

HASSIAN MARKET.

BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

45X11 PER YARD.			
Ready	107-1/2		
July-Sept.	108		
Oct.-December	109		
D. W. BAGS.			
Ready	112	0	0
July-Sept.	111	0	0
Oct.-Dec.	111	0	0

ITALIAN ART-SILK YARN.
BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

150 D. August	4	7	0
150 D. September	4	6	3
150 D. Ready	4	7	0
120 D. Ready	4	6	0
20/22 YELLOW SILK			
Ready	25	10	0
August	25	9	0
September	25	11	0

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

Bombay, Aug. 17.

MILLS
Apollo 3-4 3-4-6 3-3-9
Bombay Dyeing 1030 25 50 42-8 50
Central India 279-8 82 81 82
Century 531-4
Elphinstone Ord. 74-8 73-8
Finlay 297 95 304 2 3
Gokak 306-8 8-8 8 9
India United Defd. 2 1-15-9 2
India United Ord. 12-14 13 12-15 13-1
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Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, Tuesday 17.

s. s. TARANTIA

From Swan Sea— 350 boxes tinplate 600 bags mixed wire nails, 499 bdls. yellow metal sheets, 390 drums nickle pellets.

From Liverpool— 900 bdls. steel cotton baling hoops, 100 drums hydrosulphate of soda, 42 bales uncut writing paper, 29 truses leather picking bands, 275 bdls. boot protector, 73 cases polishing composition, 1121 ctns. rayan yarn, 25 bdls. cycle parts, 11946 bags soda ash, 2000 bags bicromate of soda, 93 cases crown cork, 4680 lose asbestos cement pipes, 49 cases cotton yarn, 34 drums sodium sulphate, 38 cases bycycles, 173 drums moulding powder, 255 bags earth colour, 53 cases spring steel washers, 68 bdls. steel conduit, 1350 ctns. table salt, 400 drums bleaching powder, 40 cases electric motors, 32 pkgs. machinery, 967 cases cocoa, 113 drums brenthols, 64 dry aniline dyes, 46 drums alizarzinc, 329 cases electric cable, 28 cases plate glass, 590 pkgs. uzal germicide, 50 loose comils, 25 cased letter miles, 5000 bags bichromate of soda; 7466 bags soda ash, 32 bags cork bands; 32 cases window glass.

s. s. VIRGINIA MAY

From Karachi— 73 bags jugnal, 159 bags pista, 89 bags dry fruits, 100 cases manufactured cigarettes, 111 bags enamel fort, 260 bags almond, 200 bags Jethaminth, 292 cases polish, 280 bags molether, 37 warnish.

EXPORTS

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GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

s. s. ARONDA

To Mombasa— 9 bales cotton piecegood—H. A. Parya.

S.S. SARANJAN

To Colombo:—11 cases assafoetida—E. Hirjee and Co. 5 cases harmless medicine—The Chemical Industries and Phar-Labo. Ltd.

To Penang:—20 bags fenelseed and 10 bags methiseed—Indo Overseas Export Co.

S.S. TAIWAN

To Antwerp:—50 bales cotton waste—Sapt. Textile Product Ltd.

To Copenhagen:—250 bales cotton waste—Textile Product (India) Ltd.

S.S. VIRJINIA MAY

To Karachi:—5 bdls drugun—H. E. H. Valimohmed. 11 bags cardamum—H. A. H. Adamji.

S.S. TAIREA

To Basra:—68 bales cotton waste yarn—Sapt. Textile Products (India) Ltd.

S.S. VERSOVA

To Karachi:—10 cases earthenware filter—F. Gulamali. 1000 bdls bidi leaves—Tulsidas Hirjee and Co. 200 boxes puppyshell—R. A. Raheman.

S.S. UMARIA

To Bahrein:—30 drums turpentine—A. Habibulla and Bros.

Distant Months Decline 4 Dollars Per Bale In N. Y. Cotton Exchange

SMALL ADVANCE IN WALL STREET MARKET

kumari Amrit Kaur, Health Minister, Government of India, declared open

existing weekend hedges offerings. Prices later steadied on modest covering and light trade buying in anticipation of large scale entries into the Government Loan. The market was otherwise featureless with trades generally inclined to awaite developments in the crop, primary spot markets and cotton textiles.

July and October 1949 deliveries featured late dealings declining more than four dollars a bale under heavy liquidations. This was attributed partially to fears of a possible change in farm legislation and support prices at the next session of Congress plus prospects of a large end of season carryover. New Orleans and hedges furnished the bulk of contracts, the market closed barely steady. Sales are estimattd at 175,000 bales.

NEW YORKI COTTON
NEW YORK, Aug. 16

October	31.00—16
October Highest	31.11—02
October Highest	31.18+02
October Lowest	31.00—16
December	41.05—16
March	31.01—14
May	31.01—15
July	29.52—57
Middling Spot	30.75—15

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
NEW YORK, Aug. 16

October,	30.99—09
December	31.01—13
March	30.95—13
May	30.70—18
Middling Spot	31.05—15

STOCKS: The lack of any important trading incentives over the weekend found the market aimless with activity slow. Changes either way were mainly fractional and fairly well dividend with individual group movements small and meaningless. International harvest held unchanged in face of a strike threatening seven plants owing to the impasse on the new wage contract negotiations.

The averages were industrials 179.70 and rails 58.58. The balance of prices tilted slightly upwards in the afternoon. Sluggish conditions continued however, although some cautious bidding developed for steels, motors, oils, rubbers, department stores, foods and minings.

Some Wallstreeters feel that although a rally of technical proportions may begin from around the current levels, the present market does not yet represent its lowest level before a possible climb to the early summer peaks. The composite average rate finished with a small advance on a steady note.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago grains sagged under the leadership of maize reflecting easiness if cash values resulting from liberal receipts which are undoubtedly due to favourable weather throughout the maize belt. Milling interest bought wheat presumably against sales of 430,000 hundred pounds weight flour made to Italy late last week.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS, Aug. 17.

The Stock Exchange opened easier and closed quietly steady. Banks and Insurances were definitely easier whilst select Tea and Coffee shares were in demand amongst plantings. Textiles were a neglected counter whilst the Miscellaneous section was featureless.

Following are closing quotations:—

SECURITIES: Three per cent 1966 99/8, Three per cent Government of India 1970/75 100/7, Three per cent Government of Travancore 1952/54 103/0/6, Three per cent 1960 Government of Madras 101.

PLANTINGS: Chembras 5/12, Cochin Malabar 7/10, Devashola 17/8, Highland Produce 26/8, Kalasa 9/10, Midlands 6/2, Nelliampathys 1/7/6, Ouchterlony 6/12, Periakaramalai 23/8, Pullangodes 1/3/6, Thirumbadi 2/5, T. R. and T. Co. 7, Waterfalls 2/6.

TEXTILES: Buckinghams 174, Ditto Pref. 196, Coimbatore 91, Lakshmi 65/12, Maduras 40/10, Metturs 320, Mysore Spun 7/8, Radhakrishnas 141, Rajlakshmis 56, Ranga Vilas 43/12, Hrav. Rayons 4/12, Trichinopoly 12/14/6.

MISCELLANEOUS: F. A. C. T. S. 6/3, Mettur Chem. 9/1, Mysore Chem. Perts 10/8, (Loyal Tex Malabar industrials unchanged).—(A. P. I.).

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ASSOCIATION

Candidates For Election On Board

The election of the Board will take place on Monday, the 23rd inst. Out of a total of 22 members, the association elects 14. Representatives of farmers are seven. The Government nominates four members and the Central Cotton Committee sends three members. One seat is filled later.

Out of 14 seats of the Association, 4 are elected from Buyers, 4 from Sellers, 4 from Brokers and 2 from Mahajan and Special Associated Members. Three old members return their seats whose names are Mr. Hirlal Dave from Brokers, Mr. Fatehchand Junjunwala from Sellers and Mr. Madanlal Rula from Buyers.

List of candidates who have offered for election:—

BROKERS.
1. Sjt. Ramnath A. Poddar.
2. Sjt. Jugtiwan Dosabhai.
3. Sjt. Durgaprasad Ramprasad.
4. Sjt. Madanlal Surjmal.
5. Sjt. Anandlal Hemraj.

SELLERS.
1. Sjt. Bhowanji Arjun.
2. Sjt. Chimanlal P. Parekh.
3. Sjt. Dhatubhai Rangildas.
4. Sjt. Jamnadas Ramdas.
5. Sjt. Hemlal Maganlal.

BUYERS.
1. Sjt. Ramdas Kilachand.
2. Sjt. Radhakisen Khartari.
3. Sjt. Nandlal Madhandas.
4. Sjt. Girdharrial Kitlak.
5. Sjt. Tricumdas Chhabildas.

MAHAJAN.
1. Sjt. Venilal Narotamdas.
2. Sjt. Keshavlal Pranjiwandas.
3. Sjt. Shivlal Nirpatlal.

SUGAR PRICES.
BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

Small Chrystals	109	8	0
Medium	112	8	0
Big Size	115	0	0
Extra Big	118	0	0
August	39	0	0
September	37	8	0
October	32	4	0

PEPPER PRICES.
BOMBAY, Aug. 17.

PER CANDY.	
Shravan	1180 to 1190
PER CWT.	
Bhadervo	220 to 222
Aso dely.	215 to 220

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, August 17: The market opened quiet but steady at the closing. A moderate business was put through.

Following are today's final transactions upto 2-30 p.m

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Nehru Congratulates Chetty

"HE FACED ISSUE BRAVELY & FRANKLY"

Shanmukham On His Error Of Judgement In Ordering Withdrawal Of Income Tax Cases

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17 (API)—Mr. R. K. Shanmukham Chetty, outgoing Finance Minister, today explained to the Indian Parliament the circumstances of his resignation consequent on his decision to withdraw certain groups of cases referred to the Income-Tax Investigation Commission.

He told a crowded House that subsequent to the withdrawal, in consultation with the Prime Minister the whole procedure was set right by referring the cases again to the Commission and asking for their consent for the withdrawal.

"Even though that has been done", said Mr. Chetty "my conduct in the original order if withdrawal has created a suspicion about my bona fides. The Prime Minister was good and generous enough to repeat on more than one occasion that he was thoroughly satisfied with my honesty and bona fides, but notwithstanding these assurances from the Prime Minister I felt that in the context of the independence that our country has obtained, in the context of the parliamentary institutions which we have begun to work, we must set absolutely the highest standards of integrity in public life." Mr. Chetty added that a Minister's bona fides might be justified by argument, yet, if in the minds of our people who may not understand these technicalities there is room even for a suspicion, such a Minister ought not to continue in office. It is under these circumstances that I requested the Prime Minister to relieve me of my office."

MINISTER'S PRIVILEGE

Mr. Shanmukham Chetty said "even though the circumstances that led to my resignation are explained to some extent in the letters that were published this morning, it is a Parliamentary privilege for a Minister who resigns to explain to Parliament the reasons for his action. I must thank you for according me this privilege and I might assure you at the very outset that I will not abuse the consideration that you have shown to me by making any reference to any matter that might involve any controversy at all.

"The circumstances arose out of certain actions of mine connected with the Income Tax Investigation Commission. The act for constituting this commission was passed as early as April 1947. On account of the preoccupations of the then Government with the partition, no action was taken under that Act. After the new Government assumed office on August 15, we took steps to constitute the Commission and accordingly the Commission was constituted early in December. In the meantime it was felt that the Act of 1947 was not adequate to enable the Commission to function effectively. Therefore an amending bill was prepared to be placed before the legislature in due course.

"Under the act of 1947, the last date for reference of cases to the Commission was prescribed as December 31, 1947. After that date Government did not have the power to refer any cases at all. It was brought to my notice that even though we had got an Amending Bill on the anvil, we could not act on the assumption that the Amending Bill would be passed by the legislature. If, for instance, the Amending Bill had been thrown out by the Legislature, and we had failed to take any action under the old act, then we would have lost the power of referring cases to the Commission and the whole work of the Commission would have become "null and void".

ORDER OF REFERENCE

"Under the old act, we were charged with the responsibility of referring to the Commission only those cases in which we ourselves were satisfied that there was a "prima facie" case. Unfortunately, there was no time to examine all the cases in detail to decide which of the cases involved in the various reports showed really a "prima facie" case. Under these circumstances, with a view to saving limitation as it were, I ordered that all the cases about which the Incometax officers had reported should be referred to the Commission before December 31.

"My intention had always been that later on, I should examine those cases and then withdraw those which did not disclose a "prima facie" case for reference, because it was my duty to refer any case to the Commission unless I was satisfied on an examination that there was a "prima facie" case.

"Later on the Amending Bill was introduced and in the meantime after reference of the cases to the Commission somewhere towards the last week of December, I began to examine some of the cases and I found that some of them in my opinion did not show any "prima facie" case at all. So, in accordance with my original intention, I gave instructions to the Central Board of Revenue to withdraw certain groups of cases.

"SERIOUS ERROR"

"In the letter that I have written to the Prime Minister, unfortunately a very serious error has crept in. I asked someone on my behalf to find out for me when the Amending Bill was introduced in the Legislature, and I was told that it was March 1, whereas according to my decision my instructions for the withdrawal of the cases were given on February 1. Subsequently, this morning, to my utter amazement, I found that the Bill was introduced in the Assembly on February 10 but that the reference motion to the Select Committee was made on March 1. This is a very grievous error which I ought not to have committed. It was my duty to have verified the dates, and I, therefore, apologise to the Prime Minister for the grievous error contained in my letter.

"There is one other reference in the letter which I think on further consideration it was absolutely inappropriate on my part to have introduced. I stated in that letter that whether in the light of the reference of the Amending Bill to the Select Committee by original order of withdrawal should have been kept in abeyance did not occur to me or my advisers. I find that I should not have made any reference to my advisers at all, because at an early stage, as early as in January when I discussed this matter with my advisers, they drew my attention to the proposal that we ourselves were incorporating to the effect that cases can be withdrawn only with the consent of the Commission.

STORY OF "WITHDRAWALS"

"These are the circumstances relating to these withdrawals. This matter was raised and subsequently, in consultation with the Prime Minister, the whole procedure was set right by our referring the cases again to the Commission and asking for their consent for the withdrawal. Even though that has been done, my conduct in the original order of withdrawal has created a suspicion about my "bona fides". It would naturally create a suspicion in any man who reads the circumstances. So I put it to the Prime Minister whether he at any rate had any doubts about my honesty or "bona fides," and he was good enough and generous enough to repeat on more than one occasion that he was thoroughly satisfied with my honesty and "bona fides". Notwithstanding this assurance from the Prime Minister, I felt that in the context of the new independence that our country has obtained, in the context of the parliamentary institutions which we have begun to work, we must set absolutely the highest standards of integrity in public life (cheers). Even though a Minister's conduct may be justified by argument, yet if in the minds of our people, who may not understand these technicalities, there is room even for a suspicion, such a Minister ought not to continue in office. It is under these circumstances, and because I felt like that, that I request the Prime Minister to relieve me of my office and he has done so today.

"I wish to take this opportunity of thanking every section of the House for the courtesy and co-operation that I have received from them during the last twelve months of my office.

Nehru's Reply

The Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, said: "After the full and frank statement of my Honourable friend and colleague, there is little that I need say in this matter.

Four or five days ago it was pointed out to me that many of these steps were taken at a time when this House or the Select Committee was actually considering this Amending Bill and it seemed to me that no such step should have been taken without the knowledge and consent of the House or the Select Committee at that time.

"I have no doubt myself that there was no question of any 'Mala Fides' in the matter because, apart from any other reason, if I may say so, any attempt to take such a step could not possibly be kept away from the House for long, it had to come to the knowledge of the House the Government and others. So I was convinced of that, but the question did arise in my mind whether a thing was done carelessly or not, it was a grave error, and an error of this kind is bound to create suspicion in the public mind and it is not a thing which should normally be passed over. Probably, the same chain of thought occurred to my Honourable friend and he wrote to me the letter. That has already been published, offering his resignation.

"This House, and even more so the government, live, and ought to live, in the full blaze of publicity. There should be nothing secret. There are many secrets which Governments have to deal with, of course, and we shall have secrets of that kind, but otherwise our activities must be completely public, open to public questioning and open to public condemnation. No democratic system can function otherwise satisfactorily. Therefore, when anything occurs that is open to public criticism of this kind, we must frankly face the issue and not try to slur over it or gloss over it.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHETTY

"I should like to congratulate the Honourable member on the way he has faced this issue bravely and frankly and accepted the fact that he had made a serious mistake at that time and has in consequence offered his resignation."

"It was not technically for me to accept his resignation because appointments and acceptance of resignations are the business of the Governor-General, but I recommended to the Governor-General to accept his resignation and I have received from him in writing that he has accepted it."

"As I said in my letter of reply to Mr. Shanmukham Chetty, I requested him to hand over charge for the present temporarily to my colleague, Mr. Neogy, the Minister for Commerce. Mr. Neogy, when I requested him to take charge, was singularly reluctant to do so, chiefly because he is heavily worked. At my earnest request he consented to carry on till a more permanent arrangement could be made.

"If I may say so with all respect this incident, unfortunate as it is, and much as we regret its outcome resulting in the resignation of a respected and valued colleague, reflects credit in the ultimate analysis on my colleague and on this House."

MORE AUSTRALIAN WHEAT FOR INDIA

SYDNEY, August 17, (Reuter): Australia has agreed to supply India an additional 3,750,000 bushels of wheat from last season's harvest. Last December Australia agreed to the sale of 25,000,000 bushels of wheat to India at 18-1/2 shillings bushel. At the same price the additional quantity would bring the total cost of India for her quota of Australia's 1941-48 crop to over 26,500,000 Australian pounds.

COMMUNIST DETENUS GIVE UP HUNGER STRIKE

MADRAS, August 17, (U.P.I.): The Communist detenus numbering 250 who went on hunger-strike on August 13, gave it up on the Independence Day unconditionally, says a report from Vellore.

Pudukottah To Present Civic Address To "C. R."

PUDUKOTTAH, Aug. 16 (API): The Pudukottah Municipal Council decided to-day to present an address to Mr. Rajagopalachari, Governor-General, on the occasion of his visit to Madras on August 23.

JUMNA IN SPATE

DEHRA DUN, Aug. 16 (A.P.I.): The Jumna is in spate here owing to incessant heavy rains.

Large cultivated areas in hill tracts are reported to be under water.

GOODS TRAIN DERAILED

MADRAS, Aug. 17, (A. P. I.): Eight wagons of a down good train going to Madras derailed last night between Paduchatam and Potonovo on the Mavavaram-Villupuram Section of the South Indian Railway. Three of this wagons capsized.

The extent of the damage is not known.

The accident necessitated the diversion of certain trains on alternative routes this morning. Normal train services on the section are, however, being resumed tonight.

Frontier War On Red Shirts

PESHAWAR, Aug. 17. (API): Sardar Amin Jan Khan, M.L.A., Commander-in-Chief of the Red Shirts, who is reported to be the chief organiser of the demonstration at Charsada, was arrested here under the NWFP Public Safety Ordinance yesterday.

The NWFP Government have imposed a punitive fine of Rs. 150,000 on the Red Shirt workers of the Charsadda Tehsil who organised a demonstration at Charsada on August 12. This money will cover the cost of the maintenance of Special Police pickets posted at Charsadda, Babara and Parang.

A dusk-to-dawn curfew has been imposed at Charsadda, Babara and Parang and meetings and processions have been banned under Section 144 of Cr. P.C.

SAVING BOMBAY'S CATTLE WEALTH

Government To Produce Sera To Fight Disease: Insemination Centres To Be Opened

(FROM OUR STAFF REPORTER)

The Government of Bombay has prepared plans for the creation of an institute in Poona or Nasik, for the manufacture of vaccines and sera, for use among the cattle of the province. The scheme is expected to cost many lacs of rupees and expensive laboratory equipment for their manufacture has already been ordered from abroad.

This step was necessitated, by the fact that the Government was importing from Izatnagar in U.P., an average of a lac of rupees worth of these substances every year, in order to protect the cattle of the province from diseases like rinderpest, foot and mouth affections, Surra, Haemorrhage Septicemia and Tuberculosis.

IMPROVING BREEDS

Another important move of the Government of Bombay, in the same connection for improving the existing breeds of cattle, is the starting of a few artificial insemination centres. This move will be in the initial stages of a purely experimental nature, far before the Government can launch a "full-scale offensive", in this direction, it is essential for them to assess the reaction of the peasantry, to methods so startlingly novel. Government hope that with the co-operation of the farmers of the province this can be made into a great success, as in Europe and America.

An important amendment to existing legislation regarding the slaughter of cattle, is also contemplated. At present legislation does not prevent the indiscriminate slaughter of cattle over the age of ten; even below this age cattle can be slaughtered for bona fide religious and sacrificial purposes. The contemplated legislation will penalise the slaughter of milch and stud cattle, ven if they are over ten years of age, and the exemption given for religious sacrifices of cattle below ten years will be tightened up.

NO "MISCEGENATION"

Government concern for the preservation of the cattle wealth of the province, appears to be actuated by the desire to improve the breeds as well as augment the stock, in an appreciable way. It may be stated that the local breeds, despite their poor quality compared to the animals of Europe will not be crossed with non-Indian varieties. In practice it has been found, that "Miscegenation" of Indian cattle with cattle from Europe leads to degeneracy in the second and subsequent generations.

Experiments conducted in this direction in military farms in India produced a pattern of results which could be described as bizarre. While the first generation yielded the same milk as the female of the imported variety would have normally yielded, the subsequent generations were good neither for farming nor for milk. The only thing for which they were good has the butcher's knife.

Apart from being mainstay of the tiller of the soil, and the source of the province's milk supply, the cattle are an important item in the food of the people. The statutory strength of the province's cattle according to the census of 1942 is about one crore of animals. This comprises of the ox and the buffalo as the species, and without proper exercise of Governmental care, the stocks might be seriously depleted.

In Greater Bombay abattoirs as many as 228 she-buffaloes, 1767 bulls, bullocks and cows are put to the knife every week. If the 10,300 goats and 15,850 sheep, which are cut up every week, besides the cattle, are considered, one gets an idea of the gigantic hunger of Greater Bombay.

Government are keenly alive to all the aspects of the question and are attempting to at least maintain the statutory strength of the cattle of the province, as well as improve them qualitatively both from the viewpoint of the milk yield as well as their ability to work on the field.

"Great Industrialist And Philanthropist"

TRIBUTES TO HOMI MEHTA'S MEMORY

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Glowing tributes were paid to the memory of the late Sir Homi Mehta at a crowded Parsi meeting held under the auspices of the Parsi Panchayet of Bombay at C. J. Hall this evening. Sir Shapurji Bilimoria, the seniormost trustee of the Panchayet presided. A resolution putting on record the meritorious services rendered by Sir Homi both to the Parsi community and to the country was passed on the occasion.

Sir Shapurji Bilimoria pointed out how Sir Homi had risen from an humble origin to occupy the proud position of one of the most successful businessmen and industrialists of the city. Perseverance and hard work were the keynote of his success, to which were added a sterling character and genial disposition. In his days of affluence Sir Homi never forgot to lend a helping hand to those less fortunate than himself. He was a great philanthropist who had never hesitated during his life time to give lakhs of rupees in cosmopolitan charities. Youth could emulate his splendid example with advantage.

The condolence resolution was passed all standing.

Two Communists Marched To Sabarmati Jail

AHMEDABAD, Aug. 17 (API): Two Communists were arrested under the Public Security Measures Act and taken to Sabarmati Central Jail

Pakistan Shows Lack Of Co-operation

INDIA'S DIFFICULTY IN RECOVERY OF ABDUCTED WOMEN

Ayyangar Says Delhi Has Protested To Karachi

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17, (API): Mr. N. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar, Minister without Portfolio, said in the Indian Parliament today that the number of abducted women recovered in West Pakistan was certainly small compared to the number recovered in India, the reason being largely the lack of adequate co-operation from the Pakistan authorities.

In answer to Pandit Lakshmikant Maitra, Mr. Ayyangar said, "We have protested and drawn the attention of the Pakistan Government to the need for more adequate co-operation being given by their officers and social workers.

The latest telegram that we sent was only about a week ago, and so far we have not had any response worth mentioning. We have even threatened to withdraw such establishments as we have in West Pakistan for the recovery of abducted women, stating that even after that withdrawal we would continue to recover Muslim abducted women".

Mr. Ayyangar told Mr. Khurshed Lal that as regards tribal territory and the North West Frontier Province, India had no regular organisation for the purpose of helping in the recovery of abducted women. As regards the "closed districts", India had come to some arrangements with Pakistan by which Pakistan officers themselves undertook to make recoveries and hand over the recovered persons to India. That had not worked as satisfactorily as the Government of India had expected.

The House cheered Mr. Ayyangar's statement in reply to Shreemati Durgabai that over 9 per cent of the recovered women were accepted by their relatives.

Mr. H. V. Kamath: "What are the reasons for the reluctance of some recovered women to return to their hearths and homes?"

Mr. Ayyangar: "Some of them apparently find their new lives happier".

NUMBER OF ABDUCTED WOMEN

Mr. N. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar, Minister without portfolio, said in reply to Mr. R. K. Sidhwa that the total number of abducted women, including children twelve years, recovered during the last four months, April, May, June and July 1948, from West Punjab, N.W.F.P. and Bahawalpur was 1,102 whereas the number recovered from the Indian Dominion aggregated 4,721.

FRENCH PROPERTY IN INDIA

Mr. K. C. Neogy, Commerce Minister said in reply to Mr. Sidhwa that the value of the French property in India which qualified for restoration in terms of the agreement signed on June 15, 1948 by the Indian Prime Minister and the French Ambassador in India amounted to about one crore and that of the Indian property in French territories amounted to about rupees 9 lakhs.

Mr. Neogy said in reply to the same member that the visit of the SCAP TRADE MISSION to India was mainly of an exploratory nature and it was not, therefore, possible to arrive at any final settlement regarding the goods which could be imported from Japan. Lists of goods which India required from that country and those which could be exported to that country were, however furnished to the mission. This list included the broad categories of capital goods required from Japan.

SUPPLY OF CAPITAL GOODS

Initial advices indicate that the SCAP authorities are prepared to try and supply capital goods against India's requirements from that country provided supplies to Japan of the essential raw materials could be ensured from India and elsewhere. It was hoped, therefore, that Japan would be able to supply India with substantial quantities of capital equipment of the types produced by her. It was however too early as yet to give a precise list of articles, prices and delivery dates in view of the fact that these and other ancillary details were at present under negotiation with the SCAP authorities by an official delegation which visited that country recently.

Replying to Prof. K. T. Shah, the Minister for Rehabilitation, Mr. Mohanlal Saxena said that the various Provinces and States had agreed to absorb 32 lakhs of refugees; their allocations were: Bombay—4 lakhs; United Provinces—3 lakhs; Central Provinces 3 lakhs. Matsya Union —one lakh; Bikaner 50,000; Ajmer—50,000 Udaipur—one lakh; Jaipur—one lakh; Malwa Union—two lakhs; Delhi—one lakh; Saurashtra—one lakh; Jodhpur 50,000 Vindhya Pradesh 50,000; East Punjab and East Punjab States had agreed to absorb 13 lakhs in addition to rural refugees.

MUSLIMS RETURNING TO INDIA

Mr. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar, Minister without Portfolio, told Sardar Bhopinder Singh that ever since March 1948, Muslims had been returning in considerable numbers to India but there had been no corresponding return of non-Muslims from India to Pakistan. The Government of India could not allow the one way traffic to continue uncontrolled. Repeated suggestions to Pakistan to negotiate an agreement on the subject having failed, the Government of India were compelled to introduce a system of permits for journeys from Western Pakistan to India. No restrictions were placed upon journeys between Eastern Pakistan and India.

GEN. MOHAN SING'S ALLEGED PLAN

Mr. B. Shiva Rao, by a short notice question, asked whether the Government's attention had been drawn to the East Punjab Government's press note referring to an alleged plan by General Mohan Singh to seize power in the Eastt Punjab and whether the East Punjab Government had sought the previous sanction of the Government of India before offering to General Mohan Singh the national volunteer corps with military training. Had the details of the scheme been scrutinised by the Defence Ministry or any other Ministry of the Central Government before the offer was made to General Mohan Singh? Who were the high Military Officers referred to in the press note, who supported the plan? Did the Governor or the East Punjab Government consult the Government of India at any stage of the negotiations? What was the attitude of the Government of India towards the growth of private armies in the country?

The Prime Minister, who replied to the question, said no particular reference was made to the Government of India by the East Punjab Government in the matter. In view of the declared policy of the Government of India in regard to private armies in the country, all provincial Governments were addressed on the subject and informed that no private armies would be tolerated. The East Punjab Government was more especially addressed and an enquiry was made about General Mohan Singh's Desh Sewak Sena. Government had no particular complaint against the Sena except that it was in the nature of a volunteer force which might grow into a private army. The East Punjab Government were raising a National Volunteer Corps under official auspices. And it was proposed by them that the Desh Sewak Sena might be incorporated in the national volunteer corps. It meant that the Desh Sewak Sena should cease to exist as an organisation and that such of its members as were considered fit and proper might join the National Volunteer Corps. Indian military officers in East Punjab had approved of the proposal.

It was intended to do so with the co-operation of General Mohan Singh. He was asked to associate himself with the National Volunteer Corps, and particularly in certain districts to begin with. The conversations did not lead to any agreement.

There was no question of any districts being "offered" to General Mohan Singh nor did any question of examining the scheme by the Defence Ministry arise. The Government of India was not consulted about the scheme. Information was sent to them on two or three occasions that some conversations were in progress about the disbandment of the Desh Sevak Sena and its partial incorporation in the National Volunteer Corps. The Government of India were chiefly interested in the disbandment of any organisation which might develop into a private army. Military Officers who had been consulted by the East Punjab Government naturally insisted that any such organisation must be completely under Government control and that no military training should be given to members of a private volunteer force.

"E. BENGAL TIMES" PRESS SEALED

Editor, Printer And Publisher In Custody

DACCA, Aug. 17 (API): The managing Editor of "East Bengal Times" a local English weekly, its printer and publisher and another member of the staff have been taken into custody and the press where the paper is printed has been sealed.

It is understood that this action has been taken under the Special Powers Ordinance on the ground that the issue of the Weekly dated the 15th August contained "objectionable" material.

Pilots Strike Continues

SDNEY, Aug. 17 (Reuter): Two British freighters, the 3,724-ton "Inchcrag" and the 7,174-ton "Sithonia" entered Sydney harbour without pilots today, third day of the pilots strike.

Three executive officers of the Harbour Board have been piloting ships but today the crew of the pilot ship Captain Cook joined the strike.

MUTT AND JEFF— And Jeff Usually Cooks The Breakfast — By BUD FISHER

WHAT CHA DOIN' THERE?
I LIVE IN HERE WITH MY PAL, MUTT!
CAN'T YOU GET IN?
NO! I LOST MY KEY!
RING THE BELL!
I DID! AN HOUR AGO-- TWICE!
RING IT AGAIN!
AW, THE HECK WITH HIM;-- LET HIM WAIT!
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